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Ministers were given secret papers on loss, steel chief says

The British Steel Corporation alerted ministers last April to a possible £350m loss this financial year. In July the projection was raised to £466m. Sir Charles Villiers, BSC's chairman, confirming these figures, emphasized that the projections were contained in working documents and were not regarded by him as firm forecasts. BSC is expected to have a loss of £500m this year.

£466m deficit projected in July

By Peter Hill
Industrial Correspondent

Ministers were alerted by the board of the British Steel Corporation last April to a likely loss of £350m in its financial year ending March, 1978. Three months later the corporation advised the Government that the loss could be £466m.

This disclosure comes two days after the all-party Select Committee on Nationalized Industries accused the BSC of concealing the true gravity of the corporation's finances during the committee's lengthy inquiry into its affairs.

The committee is now seeking perliamentary authority to gain access to the confidential reports and correspondence which passed between the Department of Industry and Sir Charles Villiers, BSC's chairman.

These previously secret loss projections are in sharp contrast with public statements made by Sir Charles. The all-party committee has been left to draw its conclusions on the basis of these statements.

Last night, in an interview with *The Times*, Sir Charles confirmed that his board had submitted the £350m projection to the Department of Industry as part of its annual operating plan, on which Whitehall bases its estimates of the corporation's performance and financing requirements.

The revision to £466m was also communicated to Whitehall, but the corporation chairman emphasized that these projections were contained in working documents, and were not regarded by him as firm forecasts.

Because of the lack of figures of this nature the Select Committee has complained of being misled. As late as last November it was unable to extract such information from Sir Charles when he appeared before the members to give evidence.

However, in its submissions to Whitehall and in board papers, the BSC indicated in April that the corporation expected a loss of £350m. By July 28, after detailed discussions with divisional management of the BSC, the loss projection was revised.

A key paragraph from a report submitted to the July 28 board meeting stated: "We have to expect a serious worsening in the deficit (from £350m in the annual operating plan to £466m now) but that our external borrowings have been kept to the cash regime limit of £950m."

In May—a month after the annual operating plan was discussed—Sir Charles appeared before the committee and said the BSC was in an extremely fluid position and the order book was weakening.

Subsequently, on July 19, Sir Charles spoke to a press conference on the corporation's financial report and accounts for 1976-77. His remarks on the prospects for the current year were widely interpreted as likely to lead to losses from £100m to £250m.

In fact, the half year result was a loss of £201m and a loss of £500m for the full year is expected. The BSC has never formally mentioned a figure for the full year beyond saying that the results for the second half year would be worse than in the first six months.

Last night Sir Charles stressed that the figures contained in working documents were not firm forecasts. The extremely large losses projected had not been accepted by him or Mr Bob Scholey, his chief executive.

"We started with a projection of £350m. This contained within it a large number of contingencies and unknown elements for which an estimate had been made before the [financial] year began. I certainly did not at that time imagine that a loss of that magnitude could happen. As we worked our way through this, certain improvements were made but certain elements were working against us", he said.

The £466m in the working paper considered at the July 28 board meeting, he said, was "extremely crude" and was accepted by neither Mr Scholey nor himself.

A number of estimates, he continued, were definitely wrong. These included the 14.5 million tonnes of steel the corporation thought it could sell this financial year. In addition, there had been a large contingency element and depreciation arrangements had to be put into the projection. There were also great possibilities for achieving savings on scrap and iron ore purchases and further possible increases in prices.

"I had a long and earnest talk with Bob [Scholey] and came to the conclusion with him that this could not in any way be regarded as a forecast. There were too many unknowns. But we felt we should sound some very warning noises which, on July 19, I did."

"Under no circumstances would I have based a forecast on the £466m figure and I think to have given this figure at that time would have been totally misleading—it may turn out to be quite near it, but for quite different reasons.

"At the beginning of December (1977) I said that the loss (for the first half 1977-78) was £201m and the loss would be more in the second half year. I believe this to be a totally accurate forecast and I certainly could not have made this on July 19.

"I have absolutely no interest in concealing losses. This would be an absurd thing for me to do. We have a whole industry in total disarray. But what I am concerned to do as far as the public is concerned is to give them forecasts and statements which I believe are as good and as rational as I can make at the time.

"But to give crude figures without any justification at all would be totally improper. I really do not think I should be criticized for the public statements I have made."



Sir Charles Villiers: figures not firm forecasts.

Japan opens markets to foreign traders

From Peter Hazelhurst
Tokyo, Jan 13

Japan and the United States today ratified what the Americans described as a "dramatic" trade agreement, designed to provide American exporters and, subsequently, the world with greater access to Japan's domestic market.

Under the terms of the agreement, the Japanese Government, threatened by the growing wave of protectionism in the United States, has agreed to reduce a great number of trade barriers and to try to employ other fiscal and economic measures to turn Japan's huge international current account surplus of $10,000m (nearly £5,000m) this year into equilibrium, or possibly a deficit, by 1979.

The details of the agreement, issued by Mr Robert Strauss, President Carter's special trade negotiator, and Mr Nobuhiko Ushiba, Japan's State Minister for External Economic Affairs, in Tokyo today, were described as a turning point in Japan's restrictive trading philosophy and of great significance to the rest of the world.

Under the terms of the agreement, which is to be applied to all Japan's trading partners, the Japanese government will take the following measures to increase imports:

1. Cut tariffs on 318 items, accounting for $2,000m worth of imports, from April 1.
2. Remove quota controls on 12 products.
3. Liberalize foreign exchange controls on the principle that all transactions should be free unless prohibited specifically.
4. Increase opportunities for foreign suppliers to tender for government procurement schemes.
5. Simplify inspection requirements on imports.
6. Expand import credits and relax rules for standard settlements.

At the conclusion of the crucial two-day meeting in Tokyo today, Mr Strauss telephoned President Carter in Washington to declare that he was highly satisfied with the new trade agreement.

Speaking to journalists later today, Mr Strauss said: "The results of the past two days of negotiations are extremely meaningful, not just to Tokyo but also throughout the United States and, indeed, throughout the world.

"We have redefined an economic relationship between our two nations and we feel that it represents a change in direction and philosophy."

Describing the results of the negotiations as "dramatic", Mr Strauss went on to say that Japan had committed itself to a 7 per cent target for economic growth this year that "will help greatly as we attempt to work our way out of a global recession".

As Mr Strauss flew back to Washington tonight, diplomats in Tokyo said that Japan, which had been reluctant at first to commit itself to specific concessions in the agreement, capitulated finally in the face of warnings that President Carter's Administration was no longer capable of fending off demands for protectionism.

In spite of the breakthrough, however, many Japanese economists remained sceptical tonight about whether Japan could achieve a 7 per cent growth rate, stimulate a demand for imports and reduce the country's huge trade surplus in the foreseeable future.

Reputable research organizations believe it can achieve a growth rate of only 4.6 per cent.

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Snow, slush and ice making motoring treacherous near Helmsley, in North Yorkshire. Another photograph, page 2.

Police reinforced to halt looting after floods

Looting was reported at Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, yesterday as the town, like many others along the east coast, counted the cost of Wednesday night's storms, which made thousands homeless.

A police official said: "We have received several reports of looting. Only cash and little household things have been stolen. Sixteen extra policemen from other divisions have been brought in to patrol the areas where there are still empty homes."

About 300 houses in the town were still empty last night and 700 people were staying at two relief centres.

The town's mayor called for Wisbech to be declared a disaster area and asked for financial help from the Government.

Margate lifeboat, which was isolated 500 yards out to sea in its boathouse on the town's pier when the storms wrecked the pier, was launched yesterday. A crew was landed on the boathouse by RAF helicopter and found the £200,000 lifeboat undamaged. It was taken to Ramsgate.

The National Farmers' Union in Kent said it would press the Government through the county's MPs to declare parts of the county a disaster area. The sea wall between Whitstable and Sittingbourne and along the Swale estuary had been breached in several places. Hundreds of acres of barley and wheat were severely damaged.

At King's Lynn, Norfolk, where more than 400 homes were flooded, Mr Frank Cork, the mayor, called for fresh thinking on flood warnings. "People had too little time to prepare defences—if they had any at all", he said.

In the Commons, Mr Guy Barnett, Under-Secretary of State, Environment, said local authorities have powers to make grants or loans to people who suffered from the floods. Under the Local Government Act, 1972, councils could spend money immediately on emergency work and then ask the Department of the Environment for financial assistance.

Damage to private property at Deal, Kent, was estimated at more than £1,250,000.

Yesterday ice on roads brought many accidents throughout the North-west: One person was killed and several others were injured in a 16-vehicle crash on the M6 motorway near the Thelwall viaduct, Great Manchester.

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Restrictions eased on codebreaking secrets

By Peter Hennessy

Members of intelligence organizations during the Second World War have been partly absolved from the undertakings they gave, governed by the Official Secrets Acts, never to disclose the extent and success of British attempts to intercept and break the most secret coded signals of the German armed forces. But information about the methods used by British codebreakers must still be kept secret.

Restrictions remain on the techniques and technology of Bletchley Park, the Buckinghamshire home of the Second World War codebreakers, as the present intelligence community is anxious that disclosure, even at this late stage, might jeopardize the security of present-day operations. The practice of interception and codebreaking is continued in peacetime by many countries, including the United Kingdom, though in most cases it is not acknowledged.

Dr Owen, the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, has published new guidelines governing disclosures about intelligence during the last war in a parliamentary written reply. Many former employees of MI6, the Foreign Office and the service intelligence directorates have been in touch with their old departments about their freedom to speak as a result of documents dealing with the "Ultra" secret, as it is known from the code name given to the product of wartime wireless intelligence, being deposited at the Public Record Office in October.

In his written reply to Mr John Parker, Labour MP for Barking, Dagenham, Dr Owen said: "Those who gave the undertakings of reticence to which I have referred are now absolved from them to the limited extent that they may now disclose the fact that they worked on or used material based on intercepted messages of the enemy armed forces.

"They may, for example, acknowledge having worked as interceptors, cypher breakers, distributors or users of this material, and may reveal what they know of the use made of it in the conduct of the war."

Dr Owen is the Cabinet minister responsible for the day-to-day operations of Bletchley Park's successor, the Government Communications Headquarters. Any technical material that was not destroyed at the end of hostilities remains under lock and key in its registry at Cheltenham.

Dealing with the area of continuing security classification, Dr Owen said: "Other information, including details of the methods by which this material was obtained, has not been made available to the Public Record Office, the records in question having been retained with the approval of the Lord Chancellor in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Public Records Act.

Judge asks to be freed of racial issue cases

Judge McKinnon, whose remarks during a racial incitement trial at the Central Criminal Court last week led to controversy, has asked not to be listed for cases raising such issues.

But after the judge's request was revealed yesterday in a statement by Lord Elwyn-Jones, the Lord Chancellor, Labour backbenchers who had raised the matter said they were not satisfied and would continue their parliamentary campaign for his dismissal.

The Lord Chancellor said the judge had assured him that he had no intention of causing offence to immigrants.

Lord Elwyn-Jones said he had no doubt those responsible for listing cases in the Central Criminal Court would give effect to the judge's wishes. He proposed to take no further action.

More than 100 Labour backbenchers have signed the Commons motion calling for Judge McKinnon's removal, and two of the principal signatories, Mrs Barbara Castle and Mr Norman Atkinson, said last night they would pursue their campaign for a parliamentary debate.

Mrs Castle said she welcomed the Lord Chancellor's statement as far as it went, but it was inadequate. Judge McKinnon's exoneration of his own remarks showed he did not realize the seriousness of what he had said:

"After his admission that he was not the appropriate person to try certain cases himself he ought to have taken the honourable course and resigned."

Mr Atkinson said that the fact that Judge McKinnon was not to be given any more cases which directly involved race relations was not a satisfactory outcome.

"This whole business must be fully debated by Parliament and I will continue to press for that to happen", he said. "Judge McKinnon exposed a grave error of judgment when he implied that freedom of speech was an unconditional right, not just within the law, but in spite of the law."

Mr Leo Abse, Labour member for Pontypool, yesterday tabled a series of Commons questions to Mr Silkin, the Attorney General, calling for a "shake-up" at the Central Criminal Court.

Coloured barristers said again that they would boycott the judge's court.

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Mr Sadat says peace talks at risk

From David Watts
Aswan, Jan 13

President Sadat admitted tonight that the tough Israeli position over settlements in the Sinai Desert was endangering the peace negotiations.

Speaking at a press conference after two hours of discussions with Mr Callaghan, Mr Sadat said the negotiations were now in a critical phase. "It is a danger really because of this issue (the settlements) and the issue of self-determination for the Palestinians."

He repeated that he did not agree "in principle" with the idea of Israel retaining the 20 settlements built in Sinai since its capture during the 1967 war. He denied earlier press reports from Israel that he was now willing to consider the phased withdrawal of the settlements after the signing of a peace treaty. He said that there must have been a misunderstanding with the *Jerusalem Post* reporter who had interviewed him.

President Sadat said there must be no more settlements in Egyptian land and the removal of the settlements must be the last phase of any withdrawal.

Confirming the impression left with journalists when the military committee's discussions of the peace conference recessed in Cairo yesterday, that the settlements issue was in danger of blocking the way forward, Mr Sadat said he had never expected that such an issue could arise at this stage and block the momentum.

At a press briefing after the recess of the military committee talks yesterday both Mr Weizman, the Israeli Defence Minister, and General Gamassi, the Egyptian War Minister, did their best to play down the difficulties arising over the settlements, which Israel says must be an integral part of any peace treaty.

Israel demands the right not only to retain the communities but to protect them militarily.

The leaders of the delegations said that there were differences over the settlements but both said they thought that it was a gap which could be bridged over a period of time.

They emphasized that this was only one of a number of issues confronting the two sides as they grope towards the outline of a security agreement.

The Egyptian leader said that he was deeply grateful to Mr Callaghan for accepting his invitation to talks.

Noting that they had had "very fruitful" discussions about Mr Callaghan's help in the present and future stages of the peace negotiations, Mr Sadat said that they had reached "certain points of understanding". He did not elaborate.

Michael Knipe writes from Jerusalem: In his interview with the *Jerusalem Post* Mr Sadat says that he plans to build a "triple shrine"—a mosque, synagogue and church on top of Jebel Mussa, Mount Sinai where Moses received the Ten Commandments. He has already commissioned architects to draw up plans.

Meanwhile, Mr Weizman returned here today with some ideas to present from the Israeli-Egyptian military talks in Cairo and said that the positions of the two Governments were closer but that the road to peace was still a long one.

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Police seize man as he aims pistol at Mrs Gandhi

Delhi, Jan 13.—Police arrested a man who aimed a loaded pistol at Mrs Indira Gandhi, the former Indian Prime Minister, as she arrived in a car inside the walled city of old Delhi tonight.

A police spokesman said the man, Murari Lal Batra, aged 55, of west Delhi, pulled out the pistol when Mrs Gandhi's car drew up, but was immediately grabbed by policemen.

A large crowd staged a noisy anti-Government demonstration outside the police station where Mr Batra was taken.

Miss Nirmala Deshpande, a friend and companion of Mrs Gandhi, said she saw the man draw the pistol.

Mrs Gandhi, who was guest speaker at a function to celebrate the birth of a Hindu philosopher, went ahead with her programme as scheduled.—Reuter.

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Lady Churchill's eyes used for corneal grafting

Lady Spencer-Churchill, who died in December, left her eyes for use in corneal grafting, it was disclosed by Moorfields Eye Hospital, London, yesterday.

They were used on two patients the day after she died. Mr Patrick Trevor-Roper, director of the eye bank at the hospital, said the patients were essentially blind and now had the expectancy of quite good eyesight.

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Herr Strauss in new W German wiretap scandal

Bonn, Jan 13.—A new telephone tapping scandal began in West Germany today with the disclosure in a newspaper that a 1976 telephone conversation involving Herr Franz-Josef Strauss, the Bavarian leader, had been tapped.

An official of Herr Strauss's party, the Christian Social Union, said a record of the conversation, which reached the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, contained falsification to make Herr Strauss appear guilty of involvement in the Lockheed bribery affair.

He said the wiretap concerned a conversation between Herr Strauss, a former defence minister, and the chief editor of the newspaper *Bayern Kurier*, which Herr Strauss publishes. A spokesman in Bonn denied that the Government instigated the wiretap.—Reuter.

Senator 'critical'

Washington, Jan 13.—Senator Hubert Humphrey, aged 66, is in a critical condition with terminal cancer at his home in Waverly, Minnesota.

Mortgage rate down a point to 8½ per cent

Mortgage rates were cut yesterday by one point to 8½ per cent—their lowest level since April, 1973. This will reduce the monthly repayment on the average mortgage of £8,500 over 25 years by £5.78. The decision to cut the rate by a full point reflects the buoyancy of building society funds. The societies hope to maintain the rate for some time. Last year it was changed three times

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President explains attorney's removal

President Carter conceded that a Democratic congressman under investigation for alleged financial irregularities had pressed him to speed up the replacement of the federal attorney in Philadelphia whose staff were making the inquiry. But the prosecutor's dismissal, Mr Carter insisted during hostile press questioning, had been decided on months before

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Television engineers back to work

The 500 television engineers in dispute with the BBC are to return to normal work today after an agreement reached between the BBC and the Association of roadcasting and Allied Staffs. Earlier the association rejected a call for an all-out strike

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'Simplify fares' call

A simpler system of reduced rail fares should be introduced, the Central Transport Consultative Committee says. British Rail should offer standard discounts of about a third

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Unionist ultimatum

The Official Unionists confirmed that they will take no further part in talks on interim devolution for Northern Ireland until Westminster "clarifies" its attitude towards power-sharing

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Pakistan hint

General Zia ul-Haq, the Pakistani military ruler, indicated after talks with Mr Callaghan that Pakistan would rejoin the Commonwealth if invited by its members

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Newham ruling

An attempt failed in the High Court to end the involvement of Labour's national executive in running the constituency party at Newham, North-East, which has decided not to readopt Mr Prentice

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Italy again on brink

Signor Andreotti seems about to resign as Italy's Prime Minister with the country seething over the statement from Washington expressing displeasure at the prospect of Communists in a coalition

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HOME NEWS

Ulster Unionists refuse to resume talks on devolution without British pledge of no power-sharing

From Christopher Walker
Belfast

Confirmation of the collapse of the latest British political initiative in Northern Ireland came yesterday after a meeting of leading members of the Official Unionists, the largest party in the province.

After three hours' discussions Mr Harry West, the party leader, said that there was no question of the Unionists returning to the talks on interim devolution until the British Government further clarified its attitude towards power-sharing.

To add to the bleakness of the immediate prospects in the province, his announcement coincided with a new threat from the Provisional IRA, which has been maintaining a widespread bombing campaign. Claiming responsibility for 46 bombing attacks since January 1, the IRA said: "We mean business. This struggle will continue until the British get out of our country and give Ireland the peace she deserves."

The terrorists' latest target was the historic guildhall in Londonderry. It was badly damaged by a bomb early yesterday morning, only nine months after reopening after restoration costing £1m in the wake of a previous attack. Twelve people, including six soldiers, were injured in vicious rioting after security forces tried to clear dancers from the building after the bomb warning.

The immediate cause of the political breakdown can be attributed to Mr Lynch's radio interview last Sunday, but many political observers maintain that in the long run it was inevitable because of the irreconcilable differences between Roman Catholic and Protestant politicians.

Yesterday's decision means that the Rev Ian Paisley's Democratic Unionists will also continue to boycott negotiations with senior civil servants which had been due to restart this month. The Social Democratic and Labour Party has not made its position public, but senior party members have indicated that they regard the talks as a dead letter.

Mr West said last night that his condition for returning to the negotiating table was a public repudiation of the claim by Mr Lynch, Prime Minister of the Irish Republic, that the British Government regarded power-sharing as an essential ingredient in any devolved administration.

The Unionist demand has placed Westminster in an apparently insoluble dilemma; a clear-cut statement either way on power-sharing will block co-operation from politicians on one side or other of the religious divide, which is precisely why the word "power-sharing" no longer appears in ministerial speeches.

At Stormont there is considerable resentment at Mr Lynch's intervention, which is regarded as premeditated, and its results. But many Dublin politicians describe the incident as the injection of some necessary realism into the Ulster negotiations.

Food firms oppose green pound devaluation

By Hugh Clayton
Agricultural Correspondent

The largest food companies in Britain decided yesterday to campaign against a devaluation of the green pound, which would raise food prices. They will appeal to Opposition MPs not to support a Conservative motion calling for a devaluation of 7½ per cent now, with others later. The first of the series would eventually raise food prices by almost 2p in the pound.

The Conservative move has forced Mr Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, to abandon his stand against unconditional devaluation and seek approval from the Cabinet for a 5 per cent change.

Devaluation raises the sterling value of farm prices fixed for the whole EEC. It increases farmers' incomes and the raw material costs of food-processing companies. The companies resent the Opposition's willingness to sacrifice restraint on their costs in an effort to defeat the Government.

The Cocoa, Chocolate and Confectionery Alliance, which represents manufacturers of chocolates and sweets, said it opposed "precipitate and politically motivated devaluations". Such changes raised prices of foods which were in surplus in the EEC.

Mr Cyril Coffin, director-general of the Food Manufacturers' Federation, said that members opposed an immediate devaluation because it would raise shop prices.

Consumer groups also opposed immediate devaluation. Mr Maurice Healey, head of the consumer policy unit at the Government-appointed National Consumer Council, said: "Devaluation ought to come about only if it is accompanied by a fall in common EEC prices."

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Harmsworth fire

Strood House, Heron's Ghyll, East Sussex, the home of Mr Vere Harmsworth, chairman of Associated Newspapers, was damaged by fire last night.



Members of Margate lifeboat crew being lowered yesterday to their boat, which was isolated in its pier station when part of the pier was wrecked in Wednesday night's storm.

Court win for Labour executive

By Craig Seton

The National Executive of the Labour Party has kept control of the affairs of Newham, North-East, Labour Party after an unsuccessful attempt by a Labour member in the High Court yesterday to end its continued involvement in the running of the constituency party.

Mr Justice Michael Davies rejected a request by Mr Julian Lewis, a Newham, North-East, party member who helped to organize the Campaign for Representative Democracy, to lift the national executive's suspensions on the constituency party's management and executive committees and its officers.

The suspensions were imposed last October after a protracted battle between left and right to gain control of the management committee in the aftermath of the decision not to readopt Mr Reg Prentice, the local MP.

Since then Mr Reginald Underhill, the party's national agent, has handled the constituency party's affairs. After three days of legal argument in private the judge opened the court to reject Mr Lewis's claim, pointing out that the management committee was due to meet on Monday to prepare for an annual meeting in February and the election of new officers.

After the decision was announced a judge in chambers granted the national executive injunctions against Mr Lewis and Mr Paul McCormick, another Newham "moderate", and five others, preventing them from stopping the two proposed management committee meetings without a court order.

Mr Lewis, an Oxford politics researcher, had named eight left-wing members of the national executive in his action as well as Mr Ronald Hayward, the party's general secretary, and Mr Underhill. During the proceedings he dropped his action against all but the eight.

Mr Justice Davies said: "These have been selected by Mr Lewis for reasons which I am able to guess, but do not find necessary to state."

He described the state of affairs in the constituency party as "unprecedented". Mr Lewis, he said, had claimed that the national executive's action in suspending the management and executive committees was outside party rules and against natural justice.

He agreed that the constituency party was a separate organization and not just a branch of the national party, but even so it had certain obligations.

"I find that it is within the NEC's power to take the steps they have to interfere with the standing orders and rules of the constituency party", he said. "My conclusion is that the NEC really took the only possible course which it may be hoped is likely to get the constituency party back on to an even and constitutional keel."

Court fines TV compa £50,000 fo contempt

From Our Correspondent
Edinburgh

Fines totalling £61,000 imposed at the High Co Edinburgh yesterday on don Weekend Televisio three of its executives.

It was ruled that they in serious contempt as a of their programme, *We World*, featuring a photo and making reference to a ing sister who was due to trial in Scotland the next

The nursing sister, Mrs garet Atkins, aged 35, accused of obstructing t supply to a girl patient a in the intensive care u Edinburgh Royal Infi The charges against her dropped temporarily p the High Court hearing.

Giving a restricted jud yesterday (a full judgmen be issued later), the Justice-General, Lord E sitting with Lord Camero Lord Johnston, said: "I opinion there is not the sli doubt that the references Atkins in the context o particular feature as a were in the highest likely to prejudice her pro of a fair and impartial tri

The feature was pr concerned to debate a s issue on which medical o was divided, namely wi the life supports of c patients who suffered brain damage should be drawn, he added. The gramme had stated tha jury at Edinburgh S Court in the city will be that Nurse Atkins twice to block the air supply 13-year-old girl in her car

Contrary to the suggesti counsel for London We Television that that wou understood as no more a reference to the allegati the charge, it was calcu to convey to the public in Scotland, and to the of prospective jurors, tha evidence would be that nurse committed the acts which she was charged.

He added: "References made in such a way as to that this was another ca the same kind as Carol W son and Karen Quinlan latest example of the a of a nurse towards her pat supporting the view hel eminent medical men in land that withdrawal of supports was desirable morally justified."

The sting, he said, wa removed by the bare me of this fact that Mrs A would plead not guilty.

The court fined Lo Weekend Television £50,00 editor, Mr David Cox, wh accepted responsibility fo content, £5,000, the man director, Mr Brian T £5,000, and Mr Nick E producer, £1,000.

The Crown Office said that the Lord Advocate urgently consider the qu of proceedings against Atkins in the light of the circumstances.

"Difference in law": Tesler said yesterday: "I view this judgment establ that there is a real diffe in the interpretation and a cation of the law of cont in England and Scotl (The Press Association repo

"Before proceeding wit programme we took legal a as to whether it constitut contempt of court. We advised that it did not; an have since been advised leading counsel that it is likely that an English c would have found against

"We are concerned abou difficulties that this judg will create for journalists w ing in press and broadcasti both Scotland and England

M-way fuel cut credit is disputed

By Our Motoring Correspondent

Department of Transport pressure has led to "substantial" cuts in petrol prices at motorway service stations, Mr Horam, the Under-Secretary of State at the department, declared yesterday. He was replying to Mr Leon Britan, Conservative MP for Cleveland and Whitby, who had complained that motorway petrol prices were higher than elsewhere.

Mr Horam said the department had been perturbed about the situation, but few garages off the motorway offered a 24-hour service

Continued pressure from the department "allied possibly with improved support from some of the oil companies" had induced operators to make quite big reductions. Some service areas were selling four-star petrol at between 75p and 79p a gallon.

But the department admitted that those prices applied to only five out of the 37 motorway service areas. Trust Houses Forte, the biggest operator, with 12 sites, said it was charging 82p for four-star and Granada, with 10, said its range was from 79½p to 85½p.

Both companies said prices had fallen recently, but they attributed that to normal commercial forces rather than government pressure.

Public spending cuts 'aimed at buying votes'

By Our Political Staff

Shadow ministers were saying yesterday that the spending increases proposed by the Government in its expenditure plans announced this week would undo all the good that had been achieved in the past year.

The achievements to get the economy back on the road by cuts in public expenditure had been forced on the Government by the International Monetary Fund rather than economic ministers imposing self-discipline, but the advantages gained could now be thrown away.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Tory spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs, argues that if there is to be room for the sizable and progressive tax cuts that are urgently needed, and in order to restore a proper balance in the economy between the private and public sectors, there is no scope for any increase in planned public expenditure

In the words of Sir Geoffrey: "The figures have been doctored in an extraordinary and unprecedented way. The doctoring is designed to cover up a massive planned increase in public spending, so as to avoid damage to confidence. And the spending is designed to buy votes."

Draw for Mestel and Webb in Hastings chess

From Harry Golombek
Hastings

Yesterday was a free one in the Premier chess tournament at Hastings and the postponed games from round 12 and 13 and the adjourned games from round 14 were played off.

Neither of the postponed games affected the leading positions and the game from round 13 between Webb and Mestel ended in an early draw after 18 moves. Mestel now needs only a half a point after his last-round game to fulfal the grandmaster norm.

The results of yesterday's play: Round 12: Shamkovich 1, Botterill 0, play def; round 13: Webb ½, Mestel ½, Play def; Adjourned games results, round 13: Hort 1, Sax ½; Shamkovich 1, Webb 0; Tisdall 1, Kagan 0. Scores: Dzindzichashvili 10, Sax 9½, Petrosan 9, Hort 8½, Mestel 8, Sveshnikov and Tarian 7½, Speelman 6½, Shamkovich 6, Nunn 6½, Federowicz 5, Tisdall and Webb 4½, Botterill 3½, Kagan 2½.

Dr Hartston won her adjourned second game against Sheila Jackson and in the third game of the match for the British Ladies' championship yesterday she adjourned with a likely draw in sight. That would give Dr Hartston the match and the title since she already leads by 2—0.

Boy's £27,500 damages

Simon Woodhouse, aged nine, of Eldene, Swindon, who was crushed by the 40ft barrel of an Army howitzer at a military tattoo at Tidworth Park, Hampshire, in May, 1975, was awarded £27,500 agreed damages against the Ministry of Defence yesterday.

Sir Keith's warning on 'sharp shift to left'

Sir Keith Joseph, Opposition spokesman on industry, yesterday attacked what he described as the Labour Party's "sharp shift" to the left. It was, he said, a "sinister lookout for our freedom, prosperity and jobs".

Mr Callaghan, he said, was in control of the Labour Party "at the moment". But he added: "He has the NEC under some sort of self-interested restraint, with their reward to come later if there were to be another Labour Government.

"It is not the Liberals keeping them tame at the moment, it is the IMF and the fear of the electorate rumbling them".

Speaking at a businessmen's luncheon in Glasgow, he said that Labour policies, such as nationalization and increased public spending, had made Britains' difficulties worse instead of better.

"There is the uncertainty about when the election is coming and what the result will be", he said, "about what sort of socialism would take control if by any tragedy there would be another Labour Government.

"Is it Mr Callaghan who would say he agrees with some of the things I have been saying today, or is it the *Tribune* group, or the National Executive Committee of the Labour Party, whose programme, *Labour 76*, spells out a programme of further nationalization and regulation and confiscation far to the left of the Italian Communist Party's election programme?"

Potatoes are sold as animal feed

By Our Agricultural Correspondent

Thousands of tons of potatoes were put on sale yesterday at little more than 1p a pound. But families who rush to buy will be wasting their time, since they will all be dyed purple.

The 200,000 tons of potatoes are meant only for animal feed and have been bought by the Potato Marketing Board in an attempt to keep up prices to farmers. Farmers are selling them for about £30 a ton, while they are covered by a government guarantee of more than £40.

Consumption is so low after the drought and high prices of 1976, and stocks are so high after the glut of 1977, that the removal of 200,000 tons from the market has not pulled farm prices up.

The board wants to clear present stocks because it believes that ministers will soon authorize further purchases to take potatoes off the market. It said yesterday that it was open to offers from stockfeeders for all that it had bought so far.

Anger over firemen who worked

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

The first evidence of trouble in the firemen's return to work came when local talks over a Berkshire fireman who worked during the strike ended in deadlock.

A Berkshire County Council official said that Fire Brigades Union representatives of the 340 firemen in the county had demanded the removal of the man, who works at Langley fire station, Slough. That was unacceptable.

Mr Brian Rusbridge, the secretary of the employers' side of the national joint council for the fire service said: "It would be silly to think that there will be no arguments, but the union jointly with the employers have just got to try and overcome these."

Three men at Matlock, Derbyshire, who have been working during the strike had to walk today through about one hundred angry pickets shouting "blacklegs".

Mr John Lewis, FBU executive member for London, said last night that disciplinary action would be taken against members in London who worked during the strike. The majority consisted of between 15 and 25 officers but they also included two firemen at Northolt fire station, who, if expelled from the union, would face loss of their jobs because of the closed shop agreement for firemen in London.

Elsewhere moves back to work started before the official end of the strike on Monday. In Northamptonshire two hundred men returned to work.

The Ministry of Defence said that up to 9 am yesterday 20,750 servicemen had been engaged in providing emergency fire cover, and had attended 37,247 incidents.

Alan Hamilton writes: Britain's first line of defence against civil disorder and holocaust is about to become the subject of critical scrutiny by the Home Office after its rather mixed performance during the firemen's strike.

The Bedford R-type four-wheel drive, four-ton, 300-gallon auxiliary fire engine, now enshrined in popular etymology as the "green goddess", is a vehicle with a list of battle honours as long as a fireman's hose.

During the recent emergency, in which just under 1,000 goddesses were used, six were written off as a result of accident, in one case with the tragic loss of the two servicemen on board.

The basic green goddess chassis first appeared from the Vauxhall Motors factory in Luton in 1940 as a general purpose military vehicle. Since then, nearly 150,000 of them have left the factory for military and civilian applications throughout the world.

Service fire fighters found them cumbersome and top-heavy. The makers say that it is hardly surprising, as the vehicle was designed to operate on all kinds of terrain, and can tackle one-in-three slopes in the roughest of country. When they were first supplied as fire engines in 1952, with bodies of Home Office design, they cost £2,000 each. A present-day municipal fire engine, with its 8½-litre diesel engine, automatic transmission and sophisticated air brakes, costs about £30,000.

The goddess can manage about 10 miles to the gallon. It has no seat belts or grab rails, and with a following wind will touch 50 mph, but its engine-driven main pump, squirting 900 gallons a minute, is superior to the equipment on most municipal appliances.

To replace the fleet with modern, fully equipped fire appliances would cost the Home Office between £20m and £30m. Whatever the shortcomings of the goddesses, they can probably sleep easy in their sheds for a year or two yet.

London dockers accept pay deal within guidelines

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

London dockers, traditionally one of the most militant sectors of the Transport and General Workers' Union, yesterday voted to accept a 9.95 per cent pay deal that falls within the Government's wage-restraint guidelines.

Enclosed-dock workers have also accepted a productivity agreement that lowers the threshold for work incentive payments but has the approval of the Department of Employment. Port employers hope that the deal will attract more cargoes back to the capital.

At a mass meeting yesterday dockers from the India, Millwall, "Royal" and parts of Tilbury docks voted by three to one in favour of accepting an average 8 per cent rise in basic rates, which with overtime will take their industry's paybill rise almost to the Cabinet's limit of one-tenth.

In addition, the 3,500 men, whose wage negotiations often set the pattern for dock-workers in other ports, have agreed to productivity arrangements that will cut by 10 tons to 40 the minimum tonnage handled before they move up to enhanced handling rates.

An official of the London Enclosed Docks Employers' Association said last night: "We are very encouraged by the vote. It is a tremendous step forward when the biggest union in the enclosed docks accepts, and there is no stoppage."

The TGWU dockers originally put forward a flat rate claim for 20 per cent rises, and the rival "blue" union, the National Amalgamated Stevedores and Dockers asked for 28 per cent. The NASD votes on the proposed settlement on Monday, and agreement may be reached at a meeting of the Enclosed Docks Joint Industrial Committee the next day.

The wage agreement, once ratified, lifts the proportion of extra pay a docker can earn from 5 per cent of his minimum rates to 8 per cent. A top-rate docker's basic wage will rise from £72.77 a week to £80, on top of which he may earn an extra £6.40. Pay for the lowest grade will rise from £64.05 to £70.20, and his incentive money could exceed £5.

Judge's request to be relieved of certain kinds of cases is not unprecedented

By Marcel Berlins
Legal Correspondent

Judge McKinnon's request to be relieved from hearing any cases raising issues like those in the Read case is unusual, but certainly not unprecedented. The only striking aspect of it is that it has been made public.

It is not unknown for judges, at all levels, to suggest privately to those who make up the lists and allocate courts that, for perfectly genuine reasons, they would prefer not to be given certain kinds of cases. There is no point, for instance, in allocating complicated fraud trials to judges who do not understand financial dealings.

The authorities responsible for listing cases are well aware of the failings and strengths of particular judges, and act accordingly. Some judges, for instance, are known to be unhappy about taking very long trials, and therefore tend to be given shorter ones. Judges may have expressed their personal views on particular matters too strongly, and it might then be considered advisable not to heap on them cases involving similar issues.

Judges who have been involved in controversial cases are likely to find themselves being given relatively straightforward trials for some time afterwards, whether at their own request or as a result of the sensitivity of the listing authorities.

Such use of discretion is not considered to be in any way "fixing" who sits on particular trials. It is a negative, not a positive, process, designed to ensure that defendants cannot complain of an unfair trial because the judge has previously been embroiled in controversy touching on the issues.

One area of ambiguity remaining about the Lord Chancellor's statement concerns the extent of the range of cases that Judge McKinnon has asked not to be given. On a narrow interpretation, the reference to "cases raising issues comparable" to those in the Read case could include merely prosecutions under the Race Relations Act.

It is more likely, however, that a wider meaning will be given to it by the listing authorities, and that he will be steered away from any case in which the race aspect is paramount, for instance, one in which the defence is likely to be that the defendants were framed by the police because they were black.

It would certainly not go as far, however, as barring Judge McKinnon from hearing all cases in which the defendant was black.

The leaders of black and Asian barristers were disappointed with the Lord Chancellor's statement. Mr Rudy Narayan said that he was astounded that Lord Elwyn-Jones had not issued a total condemnation.

Mr Narayan made it clear that he had nothing against the judge personally. Indeed, in his recent book, *Black England*, he specifically mentioned Judge McKinnon as being "among the fair-minded English judges".

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No further action, Lord Chancellor says

Lord Elwyn-Jones, the Lord Chancellor, said in his statement on Judge McKinnon:

1. I have given full and serious consideration to the observations made by his Honour Judge McKinnon to the jury in the course of his summing-up in the case of John Kingsley Read and to his remarks to the defendant after the verdict. I have considered also the publicly expressed criticisms of the judge's words and the representations that have been made to me from very many quarters. I have drawn the attention of Judge McKinnon to the substance of these criticisms and representations.

2. The judge has assured me that in so far as his observations have proved to be wounding and offensive to the immigrant section of the population and have given the impression that the court did not treat with sufficient seriousness the legislation enacted for their protection, he had no intention of causing any such offence or of giving any such impression. Nor did he intend to imply that he in any way approved of the political aims of the defendant. He regrets that any such inferences should have been drawn

3. The judge does not choose the cases that are listed before him but he has told me that in the circumstances which have arisen he would prefer that cases raising issues comparable to those which arose in the Read case were not listed before him. I have no doubt that those responsible for listing cases in the Central Criminal Court will give effect to the judge's wishes.

4. Having considered all the circumstances, I propose to take no further action in this matter. I am confident that the courts do and will continue to administer the law fairly and impartially to all sections of our population of whatever race, colour or creed, and that they will be mindful of the need in their public utterances to respect the feelings of the members of those sections.

5. I agree with what the judge himself said at one stage of his summing-up: "Remember that just as we all live country by country with people of different race, different colour, different origins, so, with the contractions of the world, we have living in our own little island people of different origins, different race and different colour, and we have all got to get on." In echoing those words I sincerely hope that in our public actions and utterances just as in our private lives we shall continue in a positive way to promote racial harmony in our multiracial community.

Unesco move 'threatens press freedom'

By a Staff Reporter

A warning that international press freedom may be seriously curtailed by proposed Unesco declarations on the mass media was delivered in London yesterday by the International Press Institute.

The institute said it was greatly disturbed that the draft declarations, on the media's role in combating war propaganda and racial prejudice, might be used by member states to limit the free flow of information.

It is to call on its national committees to draw the attention of governments to the "serious risk" involved in the proposals.

The proposed declarations are redrafts of recommendations put to the Unesco meeting in Nairobi in 1976 but rejected by member governments. However, Mr Peter Galliner, director of the institute's London secretariat, said yesterday that reports indicated that they differed little from the original version.

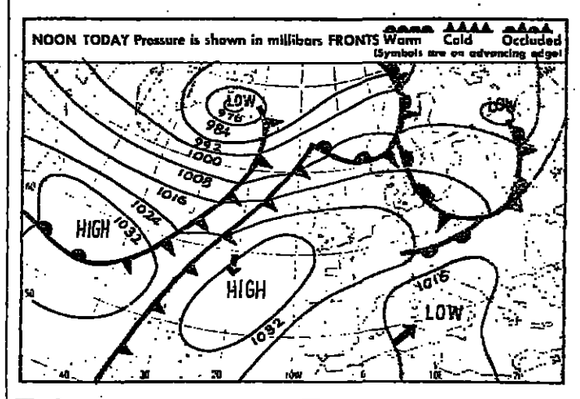
The bulk of Unesco's 140-member states did not have full press freedom, but the drafts appeared to favour state control of the media, he added. The institute's executive board, which has 2,000 members in more than 60 countries, gave warning of the "profound implications" of accepting the proposals.

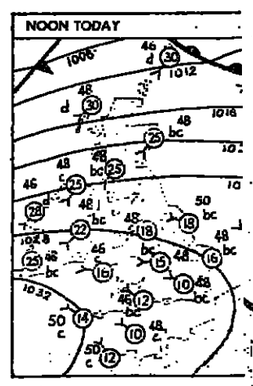
The board also resolved to send a delegation to the East German authorities to discuss working conditions for foreign correspondents there in the light of the closure of the offices of *Der Spiegel*, the West German news magazine.

Correction

The number of visitors to Osborne House last year was 278,000, not 750,000 as reported last Saturday.

Weather forecast and recordings





b—blue sky; bc—half cloudy; c—overcast; f—fog; d—drizzle; h—hail; m—mist; r—rain; sn—sleet; t—thunderstorms; s—showers; p—periodical rain with snow.

Today

Sun rises: 8.1 am Sun sets: 4.19 pm
Moon rises: 10.31 am Moon sets: 11.26 pm
First Quarter: January 16.
Lighting up: 4.49 pm to 7.30 am.
High water: London Bridge, 5.11 am, 7.2m (23.7ft); 5.42 pm, 7.2m (23.6ft). Avonmouth, 10.53 am, 12.8m (42.0ft); 11.10 pm, 12.2m (39.9ft). Dover, 2.17 am, 6.8m (22.2ft); 2.49 pm, 6.3m (20.7ft). Hull, 9.50 am, 7.0m (22.8ft); 9.55 pm, 7.1m (23.5ft). Liverpool, 2.40 am, 8.9m (29.1ft); 2.58 pm, 9.1m (29.8ft).

Tomorrow

Sun rises: 8.0 am Sun sets: 4.21 pm
Moon rises: 10.57 am Moon sets: 12.33 am Monday
Lighting up: 4.51 pm to 7.29 am.
High water: London Bridge, 5.53 am, 7.0m (22.8ft); 6.23 pm, 6.8m (22.5ft). Avonmouth, 11.36 am, 12.0m (39.4ft); 11.52 pm, 11.4m (37.3ft). Dover, 3.3 am, 6.4m (21.1ft); 3.32 pm, 6.0m (19.6ft). Hull, 10.34 am, 6.5m (21.4ft); 10.38 pm, 6.7m (22.0ft). Liverpool, 3.26 am, 8.4m (27.5ft); 3.45 pm, 8.6m (28.1ft).

A ridge of high pressure will move S across the British Isles.

Forecast for 6 am to midnight:

London, SE, E, central S and SW England, East Anglia, Midlands, S Wales: Early fog patches, dry, variable cloud, sunny intervals; wind N to NE, light; max temp 7°-9°C (45°-48°F).

Channel Islands: Dry sunny intervals; wind NE, moderate; max temp 8°C (46°F).

N Wales, NW and central N England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, N Ireland: Dry, rather cloudy, patchy hill fog; wind W, light; max temp 8°-10°C (46°-50°F).

NE England: Early fog patches, dry, sunny intervals; wind NW, backing SW, light; max temp 10°C (50°F).

Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, N England, Glasgow, Argyll, Central Highlands, Isle of Man, NW Ireland: Dry, variable cloud, sunny intervals; wind W, moderate; temp 10°C (50°).

Outlook for tomorrow: Monday: Mainly dry in the overnight fog patches, occasional rain spreading to N and central areas, followed by wintry showers becoming colder.

Sea passages: S, North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind N, moderate; sea, moderate.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 6 am to 6 pm, 5°C (41°F); min, 6 pm to 6 am, 0°C (32°F). Humid 6 pm, 70 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm, 5.2hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1.021.5 millibars, rising. 1.000 millibars = 29.53in.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

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Alicante	f	15	59	Cardiff	r	5	41	L'Palmas	c	19	61	Nice	c	11	52
Aiubeg	c	10	50	Colerne	r	5	41	Lisbon	s	16	61	Oslo	c	0	32
Ajaccio	f	13	55	Cullingham	r	—1	30	Locarno	c	3	37	Paris	c	11	52
Athens	f	16	61	Dublin	r	9	48	London	c	6	43	Perth	f	2	36
Barcelona	s	11	52	Edinburgh	f	7	41	Lucerne	c	1	34	Reykjavik	r	1	34
Beirut	s	17	63	Enniskillen	r	5	41	Luxembourg	c	3	37	Rome	f	13	55
Belfast	c	6	43	Exeter	r	7	45	Madrid	c	8	46	Salzburg	c	1	34
Berlin	c	3	37	Fairoaks	r	5	41	Majorca	f	14	57	Stockholm	sn	—2	28
Biarritz	c	9	48	Gibraltar	s	17	63	Malaga	f	18	64	Tel Aviv	f	17	63
Birmingham	c	2	36	Guernsey	c	7	45	Malta	s	18	64	Tenby	s	7	45
Blackpool	c	5	41	Helsinki	c	—10	14	Manchester	d	0	32	Warsaw	c	0	32
Bristol	c	1	34	Innsbruck	c	1	34	Moscow	sn	—1	30	Zurich	c	1	34
Brussels	f	3	37	Istanbul	f	11	52	Munich	c	0	32				
Budapest	f	3	37	Jersey	f	6	43	Naples	f	13	55				

Overseas selling prices

Austria, Sch 18; Belgium, Fr 14; Canaries, Pes 60; Denmark, Dkr 1; Finland, Fmk 3.25; France, Frs 1.5; (inc. IVA); Germany, Dm 1; Greece, Dr 50; Holland, Dfl 1; Italy, L350; Luxembourg, Lf 14; Madeira, Escudo; Malta, 9c; Norway, Kr 1; Portugal, 22c; Spain, 9pts; Sweden, Skr 1.25; Switzerland, Fr 1; USA & Canada, $1.00; Yugoslavia, Din 15.

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It *claims that, contrary to* the assurances he gave in Ban- gladesh, immigration procedures are not being administered fairly. The letter links Mr Cal- laghan with an internal struggle in Whitehall resulting in tougher policies which, it alleges, are being administered *contrary to the law as laid down* by the Divisional Court.
The dispute centres particularly on the right of dependants to join people already settled in Britain. The letter recalls that entry certificates were made compulsory for dependants in 1969, when Mr Callaghan was Home Secretary.
Mr Rees, then his junior minister at the Home Office and now Home Secretary, stated on his behalf that "it is not the intention to lead to a reduction in the number of dependants coming in" and assured MPs that "there will be no question of an extremely long examination".
The letter says that those pledges have been broken. It acknowledges that during the first two years of the present Government efforts were made to speed up entry. But then came a report by Mr Donald Hawley, "an official then responsible to you as Foreign Secretary".
The report "no doubt faithfully reflected the bitter resistance of the Civil Service and the overseas posts to this policy, which was most closely associated with Mr Alexander Lyon" (then Minister of State at the Home Office).
The Hawley report was leaked in May, 1976. The proportion of entry applications in Bangladesh from wives and children refused has risen steadily from 10 per cent in the second quarter of 1976 to 39 per cent in the corresponding period of 1977.
The letter says that the earlier fall in the proportion of applications refused was the result of ministerial instructions that applications were to be decided on the civil standard of proof, the balance of probabilities.

Mr Chris Meakin, chairman of the CTCC subcommittee that produced the report, and a director at the CBI, said at a press conference that while no one wanted to change the cut-price season ticket overnight or even within five years, the fact had to be faced that what was originally introduced as a means of attracting new traffic to nascent railways a century ago was now supporting a huge infrastructure of railways unused for most of the time.
A better understanding of the true costs of the system, and of possible alternatives, was needed by commuters who had to take decisions about where to live, by companies deciding where to site their offices or factories, and by the Greater London Council, which had to decide how much new commercial development to permit in London.
It was also needed by the general public, who saw subsidies to south-east commuters differently according to where they lived. The taxpayer in Sheffield might question subsidizing the man living pleasantly in a south coast resort and enjoying a highly paid job in London; but that same commuter might feel he had suffered a lot in recent years.
In a guarded response British Rail greeted the report as a "useful contribution to the work of the board's commercial officers in their constant review of the fares structure". The idea of standardizing the discount for reduced fares, however, would "severely limit the board's ability to exploit specific markets".



Miss Slipman: No pressures.

President of NUS not to stand again

By Diana Geddes
Education Correspondent

Miss Sue Slipman, the first woman president of the National Union of Students, will not *stand for reelection this spring*. It is the first time a president has decided not to seek a second term.
Miss Slipman said yesterday that she was standing down for personal reasons. "After six years with the union, and at the age of 28, I felt that I *needed to move on; The major* battles of opening the union up and of making it more responsible have been largely won, and it now required someone with more energy to take on the groundwork."
She emphasized that no disagreements with the executive *or other pressures had led* to her decision. The president's job is extremely arduous, involving long hours and much travelling, and pays a salary of only £3,300. Miss Slipman has no idea as yet what she will do next.
There is little question that she would have been reelected for a second term had she so desired. A Communist, she was elected last April with the support of the Broad Left and the Conservatives.
She has proved a forceful, *attractive and moderate leader*, and evidently commands much respect among students. She says that in many ways being a woman has made her job easier.
The favourite to succeed her is Mr Trevor Phillips, aged 24, a science graduate from Imperial College, London, and the *present national secretary* of the union. Mr Phillips, who has no party affiliation, would be the union's first black president. Mr Peter Ashby, aged 25, the present deputy president, is no longer eligible to stand.
The election of the president and the other 16 members of *the national executive will take* place during the union's conference at Blackpool in April.

Canal jobs

A grant of nearly £140,000 has been made by the Manpower Services Commission to *provide full-time jobs for 45* people, including 33 school-leavers, restoring locks on the Basingstoke Canal in Surrey.

Television engineers to return to work

The 500 television engineers in dispute with the BBC have agreed to return to normal working today as a result of a formula agreed last night by the *Association of Broadcasting* and Allied Staffs (ABS) and the BBC.
Weekend television programmes will no longer face the threat of disruption.
Earlier a call for an all-out strike within seven days if the BBC did not lift *suspension* notices on the engineers was rejected at a meeting in London of 1,500 members of the CBS.
Instead, the meeting carried overwhelmingly a motion by the union's national executive pledging full support for the executive for any steps it might *take to protect members* suspended without pay.
Two other meetings yesterday, of the Federation of Broadcasting Unions and of non-metropolitan and transmitter members of the ABS, are both understood to have given the executive their support.
The vote on the motion to strike within seven days was narrow, 533 in favour and 674 against. But the meeting was told that the executive had a mandate from the television membership to take further *industrial action, if necessary*, to cover the entire membership.
Mr Hearn said that only limited and controlled action had been taken in the past week in an attempt to prevent the situation getting out of hand.
"The battle we are fighting is a straightforward clash between the BBC and ourselves arising from a deliberate attempt by the BBC to cripple the ABS and do irreparable damage to the union structure in the BBC", he said.
Mr Eric Stowes, senior vice-president of the union, said the BBC had unilaterally revoked agreements made in good faith and taken legal sanctions against individuals carrying out union instructions.
After a lengthy discussion, during which some members *criticized the executive for con*centrating on issues that one called "a storm in a teacup", Mr Hearn said: "The days when we could have industrial action on the cheap—guerrilla or limited action—are gone. The BBC are creating a situation which will mean a lockout *or an all-out strike.*"
The dispute is over the conditions under which members of a television branch should work in a newly refurbished production studio, the largest at the Television Centre; and an agreement about working outside normal hours.

Welsh group says it halted television transmissions

By a Staff Reporter

Police in Kent and Surrey were yesterday investigating incidents at Independent Broadcasting Authority transmitters near Guildford and at Tunbridge Wells that resulted in the loss of commercial television programmes on Thursday night in areas of the Home Counties.
In a message to a Welsh newspaper, members of the Welsh Language Society said *they switched off the transmit*ters in pursuance of their claim for a fourth television channel in the Welsh language.
Surrey police said the attacks were identical to similar ones carried out in the past six weeks in Bristol, North Wales and the Midlands.
The IBA said most transmitters were shared by them and the BBC and they did not know why only the IBA service was interrupted on this occasion.
The 19,000 viewers served by the Hog's Back transmitter had their service interrupted from soon after 9 pm until 11.10. At Tunbridge Wells the interruption was from 11.35 pm until close-down. That transmitter and the one at Crystal Palace both serve 110,000 viewers.

Judge criticizes 'fascists' who disrupted meeting

From Our Correspondent
Manchester

A judge yesterday criticized supporters of the National Front who invaded a public meeting held to discuss the Prevention of Terrorism Act.
Judge Basil Gerrard said at Manchester Crown Court: "If you want to be a fascist that is *all right by us, but you cannot* break the criminal law."
He was speaking to four National Front supporters who had been convicted, after a private prosecution brought by the university's students' union, of offences connected with the disruption of a meeting at Manchester University in November, 1975.
The court heard that members or sympathizers of the Front hurled lumps of concrete, bricks and chairs. A woman was knocked to the ground. One man sustained face wounds that needed 19 stitches and another's eye was badly injured and his arm broken.
Duncan Jeffrey, aged 20, of Lodge Mill Lane, Rossendale; Roger Dunne, aged 32, of Gilbert Street, Ramsbottom; Frank Burden, aged 22, of Gibron Approach, Leeds; and Howard Hawksley, aged 21, of Park Road, Birkenhead, were convicted of threatening behaviour.
Each, except Mr Jeffrey, was fined £75. He was also convicted of affray, disorderly conduct and *damaging a window at the hall*, and was jailed for six months and ordered to pay £200 compensation.
Paul Spink, aged 22, of Easterly Road, Leeds, was found not guilty of offences committed at the hall.

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£20m more for universities and increase in students expected

House of Commons

Britain was witnessing a crisis on the campuses of its universities, Mr Malcolm Rifkind (Edinburgh, Pentlands, C) said when he opened *a debate on the subject.*
He moved a motion: That this House takes note that Great Britain's universities and university staff are experiencing a grave financial crisis, believes that this crisis is seriously impairing the fulfilment of their educational and research obligations; and calls upon her Majesty's Government to ensure that the obligations imposed upon the universities are matched by the resources made available to them, and that university staff enjoy a phased elimination of the pay anomaly they have suffered since July, 1975.
Mr Rifkind said there was a greater feeling of bitterness, cynicism and anger among university staff than at any time in the past 30 years. This was directed at the Government not because of any overt hostility to the universities on the part of the Department of Education and Science but because, in the view of the universities, the Government had demonstrated an injudicious blend of incompetence, inconsistency and indifference to the welfare of the universities.
A major cause of dispute was the salaries of the academic staff. Until three or four years ago university staff compared favourably with other comparable professions but since then there had been a deterioration.
A professor today earned between £2,000 and £3,000 a year less than an assistant secretary in the Civil Service, a comparable level of responsibility.
There had been an exodus of some of the best brains from the *universities to foreign universities*, industry, and the Civil Service.
There was the insensitive, unthinking and unsatisfactory way in which the Government had handled the problem of the pay anomaly in the salaries of university staff that had existed since 1975 as a direct result of the implementation of the pay policy.
The university staff did not have industrial muscle and could not hold the community to ransom.
The financial situation of the universities themselves was also serious. A few years ago they were in a relatively comfortable position. They had been forced to make major reductions in some of the essential services required by *the universities in order to do* their work properly.
He was not suggesting that the *universities could*, or should, have been exempted from the necessary public expenditure cuts required because of the Government's disastrous handling of the economy, *but the most discreditable aspect* of the sorry story was that the Government and the Department of Education had sought to take credit for increasing the student *intake into the universities while* reducing the appropriate resources available to the universities.
There was a strong case for a general review of the position of salaries for academic staff compared to other sectors of education and other comparable professions, and also for restoring the financial quinquennial system.
Everyone was anxious to preserve the independence of the universities. A high proportion of their revenue came from the Government, which was unsatisfactory if that independence was to be retained. It was important to have alternative sources of revenue, and one was from industry.
Mr Ian Mikardo (Tower Hamlets, Bethnal Green and Bow, Lab) said that it was a mistake to take higher education; or any other single branch of education, and look at it in isolation.
The industrial relations attitudes of many university vice-*chancellors to their staffs* were appalling, like those of a nineteenth century Birmingham ironmaster. They were autocratic and dictatorial.
Pay was not the only cause of dissatisfaction among university staff, and for some it was not the most serious. They ought to look at all the causes.
The most starved-of-resources part of the educational process *was the period for youngsters* between school and work in the 16-19 age group. The captains of industry needed good sergeant majors and it was from those in *that age group who wanted fur*ther education that such NCOs could be found. All too often the transition from school to work was too sudden and much psycho-*logical damage was done to those* who made it. The waste of talent was enormous.
Mr Alan Beith (Berwick upon Tweed, L) said a university was *only as good as its teachers* and many were being attracted by richer rewards outside.
They should do a little more to encourage, but not coerce, *students to have their local uni*versity as first option.
Another key principle in trying to husband resources of the universities was to make sure that *the people who went into higher* education did so when they could make best use of it. It must be made easier and seen to be easier to dip into the higher education system at whatever stage of life was most appropriate to one's own needs. That was not necessarily the period from 18 to 21.
His own experience made him believe that mature students often benefited more than anyone else on the course from the study they had undertaken.
Mr Gerald Fowler (The Wrekin, Lab) said if one was opposed to rationing through the purse through fee levels one had to consider alternatives. He disliked the notion of over-rigid quotas but if they were going to have *some system of rationing of places*, quotas operating in a fairly loose and flexible manner would be infinitely preferable to rationing by the purse.
If one said there should be no system of control one was saying that higher education institutions should be allowed, indeed encouraged, either to take more students than they had places for, or to exclude domestic students in order to accommodate additional overseas students.
Mr Norman St John-Stevas, chief Opposition spokesman on education, (Chelmsford, C), said the policy of the Opposition on the universities was clear.
We cherish and esteem them (he said) as the crown of our educational system. They serve the nation well. They have given us the best first degree in the world and one that can be achieved in the shortest time. The wastage rate of students from universities is among the lowest in the world —8 per cent as opposed to 60 per cent in the United States and 40 per cent on the Continent.
Student troubles had been highly publicized but had been mild by the standards of many other countries. Over the past decades the universities had carried through a massive expansion without any lowering of standards. These were great achievements and it was a poor reward that those who taught in universities should today be discriminated against so that they were now worse off than their equivalents teaching in the polytechnics.
The system of university finance needed looking at again. The Conservative Party was determined that the universities should have a fair deal: The period of massive expansion of higher education was over for the moment but universities must have the means to do their jobs well.
He was pro-university. They provided society with the cultural and critical centres which were essential to progress as a nation.
The Independence of the university sector should be retained and the freedom of students to choose institutions should be maintained, just as the *universities should be free to* select their candidates.
A coherent strategy on fees and grants was needed desperately. The next Conservative *Government would under*take a thorough review of student grants.
Mr Gordon Oakes, Minister of State for Education and Science (Widnes, Lab), said he was in a grave difficulty in talking about university teachers' pay because of the negotiations which were going on this week between the *Association of University Teachers* and the universities.
The present position is wrong (he said). There is an anomaly between university teachers and other teachers in the higher education sector and as a Government we seek to put that anomaly *right but within the context of* the pay policy. Justice must be done and a wrong must be remedied, but that is not to say it should be done in the way the *AUT originally wanted.*
Universities like many other institutions had suffered as a result of the country's economic situation and the end of the quinquennial settling of a block grant. They had, however, welcomed the annual grant announced in March, 1977, *with indicated grants* given for the following three years. This was a useful tool for planning purposes.
The Government would be prepared to review its cash limits for 1977-78 depending on the pay settlement which it hoped would *satisfactorily be reached with the* teaching staff, within the pay guidelines.
The Government having received advice (he said) now propose a 310,000 *full-time student target* for 1981-82, replacing the previous target of 293,000.
New levels of grant related to the higher student numbers would be announced in the spring.
It was expected that at least a further £20m would be made avail*able for capital projects in the* years after 1978-79 and before the student numbers reached a peak. Some additional resources might be needed to meet the new student targets but the sums already made available for 1978-79 together with those for succeeding years would make a substantial contribution to university needs.
There was not a crisis in the universities but they had faced recent difficulties just like everybody *else in the country.*
Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab) said in his view the health service was more short of funds than the universities, and the general pay structure in the hospitals happened to have a higher priority than university lecturers and teachers generally.
It he was faced with the choice of *spending x millions of pounds* on the pre-school children under five or on university lecturers and students over 18 he would unhesitatingly say: "Spend it on the *under-fives.*"
The motion was negatived.

Man in the news: Leading campaigner in the war on corruption

Policeman with a flair for bridge-building

By Peter Evans

The appointment of Deputy Assistant Commissioner Peter Neivens to be Director of Information at Scotland Yard is another example of the way Sir *David McNee, the commissioner*, is bringing to the top the men who have been prominent in the fight against corruption.
Mr Neivens has been head of the complaints investigation bureau and seen through important changes. In this case the change has been to work with the *new Police Complaints* Board, created by the Government to provide independent oversight of the handling of complaints.
"There have been no difficulties", Mr Neivens says. Complaints handled by the Yard were about 15 per cent up last year, which is within the range of recent annual increases.
Mr Neivens also served in the inspectorate of the force overseeing the North-west area.



Mr Neivens: "No difficulties."

A burly Londoner of 55, Mr Neivens is, like all the best policemen, a good listener, creating the impression of ample time to deal with people.
One of his proudest possessions is a fearsome-looking sword on his office wall. It was given him by Sikhs in Barking when they acquired a temple and he addressed the assembly through an interpreter.
In Barking he reassured Asian leaders after attacks by hooligans. He acknowledges a need for communication between police officers and immigrant communities to ensure that their rights like those of other people, are protected.
He invited parents from the community to visit police training schools. "We may well have convinced some of them the police service can offer a successful career".
He was well fitted to take over the newly created Community Relations Department at Scotland Yard, which he *joined in 1968. It developed* around him. He was responsible for setting up the juvenile bureau scheme for dealing with young people.
"You provide the facilities for building bridges with all the people and agencies involved who discuss what is in the best interests of the child. Building bridges with the public is very much in his line.
He thinks the sort of contact achieved before the police became as swiftly mobile as now needs to be restored. But *a lot has changed for the good*, particularly on the river, where he served in Thames Division early in his career and ships queued to discharge their cargo. Earlier, he gained a first mate's certificate in the Merchant Navy.
He is deeply conscious of what moves people. As commander in charge of K Division, which stretches from the East End into Essex, he was aware of the effect on local morale of the fortunes of West Ham football team. "I am sure even factory production went up", he says.

In brief

Tory discounts poison theory

Mr Heseltine, Conservative spokesman on the environment, yesterday discounted speculation that his family's three pet dogs, which died on Thursday at the MP's farm near Banbury after drinking Paraquat, were killed by someone with a grudge against him.
He said the dogs might have found poison discarded by someone or the poison might have been unearthed during recent work at the farm.

'Most viewers' for BBC show

For the third year running in 1977, the highest television audience of the year and the highest for 10 years was the 28,700,000 who watched *The Morecambe and Wise Christmas Show* on BBC1, the BBC said
Seventeen of 25 television programmes to reach an audience of 20 million were on BBC1, seven on independent television, and one, the Queen's speech on Christmas Day, on all three channels, it added.

Rally for Mr Jones

The Prime Minister is to attend a day-long rally at the Festival Hall, in London, next month to mark Mr Jack Jones's retirement as general secretary *of the Transport and General* Workers' Union, and for members to meet Mr Mostyn (Moss) Evans, who succeeds him on March 29.

Man dies in bus crash

Mr Raymond Webb, of Llanhilleth, Gwent, died yesterday and 10 men were injured, one seriously, when a bus carrying miners to Rose Heyworth colliery, Abertillery, crashed more than 100 feet down a railway embankment.

Policemen suspended

Two members of the Avon and Somerset police stolen vehicles squad have been suspended from duty after allegation by members of the public.

Rabies scare ends

A golden retriever kept in quarantine in Alderney after showing symptoms associated with rabies has been cleared.

Barbican travel

Barbican Underground station is to stay open permanently on Saturdays, London Transport announced.

Law Report January 13 1978 Court of Appeal

Innocent car auctioneers liable in conversion after provisional bid

R. H. Willis and Son (a firm) v *British Car Auctions Ltd*

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice Browne

Where goods to which the seller has no title are sold by the intervention of an auctioneer, whether under the hammer or as a result of a provisional bid, the auctioneer is liable in conversion to the true owner.
The Court of Appeal, in reserved judgments, dismissed an appeal by defendants, British Car Auctions Ltd., car auctioneers, of Farnham, *Surrey, from Judge Sheldon, who* at Aldershot and Farnham County Court in November, 1976, awarded the plaintiffs, R. H. Willis and Son (a firm), car dealers and providers of hire-purchase facilities, of Morris Road, Southampton, £275 damages for conversion of a Ford *motor car that they* owned.
The plaintiffs let the car under a hire-purchase agreement to a Mr David Croucher, who in breach of the agreement took it to the auctioneers' Farnborough premises and instructed them to sell it on his behalf. The car was not sold under the hammer as it did not reach the reserve price but was sold afterwards to a purchaser under the auctioneers' "provisional bid" procedure.
Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was refused.
Mr David Friedman for the auctioneers; Mr Jonathan Fulthorpe for the plaintiffs.
The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the plaintiffs sold second-hand motor cars. In May, 1973, Mr Croucher, the licensee of a Southampton public house, wanted to buy an eight-year-old Ford Mustang from them. The cash price was £600, which he had not got. The plaintiffs let him have *it on hire-purchase terms for £625.* He paid £350 in cash or in part-exchange, agreed to pay the balance of £275 by monthly instalments and signed a hire-purchase agreement with the warning that the car would not become his property until he had made all the payments.
Mr Croucher was in financial difficulties and decided to raise money by selling the car. He took *it to the auctioneers'* car auction at Farnham. He put on it a reserve price of £450, said that it was his own car and not subject to any outstanding hire-purchase and signed the entry form accordingly.
The car did not reach the reserve figure. The highest bid was £410, which the auctioneers treated as a "provisional bid". They followed their "provisional bid" procedure. The man who bid £410 was asked if he stood by his bid. When he said that he did he was asked to go to the provisional bid office where, after the auctioneers had spoken to Mr Croucher and he had agreed to accept the £410 provided that the auctioneers' commission was reduced, the sale was treated as concluded. The auctioneers filled in the entry form describing the car as sold for £410 and their commission at £15. The car was invoiced to the purchaser for £410 in accordance with the auctioneers' conditions of sale with an "*indemnity fee of £2 plus* VAT at 10 per cent". The purchaser then took the car away.
After the auctioneers had checked with Hire-Purchase In*formation to see if any finance* companies had advanced money on the car and been told that there was no entry against it, the £410, less commission, etc., was paid to Mr Croucher.
A few days later Mr Croucher went bankrupt. He had not paid the instalments on the car. As the purchaser and the car had disappeared, the plaintiffs came down on the auctioneers and said that they were liable in conversion. *They claimed the £275 outstanding* instalments on the car in the county court. After an adjournment for the decision of the House of Lords in *Moorgate Mercantile Co Ltd v Twitchings* ([1977] AC 890), Judge Sheldon held that the auctioneers were liable in conversion. The auctioneers appealed.
"Provisional bids" were an established feature of their trade.
Which of two innocent persons was to suffer? Was the loss to fall on the plaintiffs who had been deprived of the £275 due on the car? Or on the auctioneers *who sold it believing that Mr* Croucher was the true owner?
The common law, in answering those questions, acted on the maxim *Nemo dat quod non habet*, *which* protected the property rights of the true owner. It enforced them strictly as against anyone who dealt with the goods inconsistently with the dominion of the true owner. Even though the latter might have been very negligent and the defendant might have acted in complete innocence, the common law held him liable *in conversion. Proposals that the* law should protect a person who bought or handled goods in good faith without notice of any adverse title, particularly where the claimant might have largely contributed to that outcome, had been effectively blocked by decisions of the House of Lords in *Hollins v Fowler* ((1875) LR 7 HL 757) and *Moorgate Mercantile v Twitchings*; and by the Court of *Appeal in Central Newbury Car Auctions Ltd v Unity Finance Ltd* ([1957] 1 QB 371).
In some cases the strictness of the law had been mitigated by statute. In other cases innocent acquirers or handlers had to protect themselves by insurance, which was now the usual method. Professional and business men who found themselves hit by the law with new and increasing liabilities took steps to insure themselves. It was a factor to be taken into account.
It was well established that if an auctioneer sold goods by knocking down his hammer at an auction and thereafter delivered them to the purchaser, although he was only an agent, if the vendor had no title to the goods, both the auctioneer and the purchaser were liable in conversion to the true owner, no matter how innocent they might have been in handling or acquiring the goods: *Consolidated Co v Curtis* ([1892] 1 QB 495).
His Lordship saw no difference in principle with regard to "provisional bids." In each *case the* auctioneer was an intermediary who brought the parties together and got them to agree upon the price. In principle on a "provisional bid" an auctioneer was liable in conversion just as when he sold under the hammer.
National Mercantile Bank Ltd v Rymill ((1881) 44 LT 767) and *Turner v Hockey* ((1887) 56 LJ QB 301) seemed to be a departure from the principles stated in *Hollins v Fowler.*
On all the sales, whether under the hammer or on provisional bids, the auctioneers insured against both kinds of sale equally and charged an "indemnity fee" of £2 to the purchaser. He had to pay a premium of £2 on each vehicle purchased and in return the auctioneers, through an associate company, insured the purchaser against any loss which he might suffer through any defect in title.
In conclusion, where goods were sold by the intervention of an auctioneer, under the hammer or as a result of a provisional bid, then if the seller had no title, the auctioneer was liable in conversion to the true owner. The appeal should be dismissed.
LORD JUSTICE ROSKILL said that he was clearly of the view that a sale pursuant to the auctioneers' provisional bid procedure was indistinguishable in its essential nature and legal consequences from a sale under the hammer. *For the reasons given by* Lord Justice Browne, substantially the same as Judge Sheldon's, he would dismiss the appeal.
LORD JUSTICE BROWNE said that the auctioneers accepted that (a) at the relevant time the plaintiffs were entitled to immediate possession of the car and so to sue in conversion; (b) that when an auctioneer sold under the hammer a chattel to which the pur*ported seller had no title he was* guilty of conversion; and (c) there was no distinction between a sale by an auctioneer under the hammer and a sale by an auctioneer by private treaty. There had been no sale here under the hammer, but it was submitted that what the auctioneers did was something less than a sale by them which did not amount to conversion of the car.
On analysis of the evidence, his Lordship was clear in opinion that the auctioneers had sold the car and were liable to the plaintiffs in conversion.
Whether or not *National Mercantile Bank Ltd v Rymill* was rightly decided it was clearly distinguishable. His Lordship agreed with the criticisms of *Turner v Hockey* made in *Consolidated Co v. Curtis.*
Solicitors: Cripps, Harries, Willis & Carter for Clive Fisher & Co, Addlestone; Hepherd, Winstanley & Pugh, Southampton.

Hire purchase law ceiling raised to £5,000

By Our Consumer Affairs *Correspondent*

The upper limit on transactions covered by the Hire Purchase Acts is to be more *than doubled to give consumers* greater protection when buying *expensive products such as* cars.
Mr Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, said in a parliamentary written reply yesterday that *orders in council* would soon be laid before Parliament to raise the limit from £2,000, fixed in 1965, to £5,000.
The Hire Purchase Acts include requirements as to the content and form of sales agreements, giving customers the right to cancel in certain circumstances and restricting the right of owners to recover goods when more than a third of the hire purchase price has been paid.
They will be replaced by the Consumer Credit Act, 1974, when the is fully operative, and the Government *intends* the present action as an interim *measure*, recognizing that at present buyers of new cars, *for example on hire purchase*, have little chance of being protected by the legislation.

100 per cent return in drug plot alleged

Two men appeared at Bristol Crown Court yesterday accused of a plot to import and supply *cannabis resin from Morocco.*
Alston Frederick Hughes, aged 30, of Y Glyn, Llandewi Brefi, Dyfed, and Paul Kieran Healy, aged 28, a salesman, of the Caravan, Railway Inn, Tregaron, Dyfed, denied the alleged conspiracy. Mr Hughes was said by Mr Ian Kennedy, QC, for the prosecution, to have gained a return of 100 per cent on a £2,000 investment in part of the plot.
Both defendants are charged that between January 1, 1975, and March 31, 1977, in Powys and elsewhere they conspired *together* with unknown persons to contravene the Misuse of *Drugs Act, 1971, by importing*, supplying and possessing cannabis resin, a controlled drug.
It is also alleged that they were knowingly concerned in the fraudulent evasion of the prohibition on the importation of cannabis. Mr Healy denies another charge that on March 26, 1977, in Dyfed he unlawfully possessed cannabis resin with intent to supply.
Mr Kennedy, opening the *prosecution case, told the jury* that the trial, which was one of a series, was about a plot to get cannabis resin into Britain and distribute and sell it. Mr Hughes and Mr Healy played a part, he said.
"The plot, however, was *much wider and*, in fact, had continued for longer than the period during which these two men were concerned in it." He said the two chief movers, men called Robertson and Pelopida, had devised the idea in 1975.
Mr Hughes had subscribed £2,000 to the project and received 11½lb of the drug, which he appeared to have successfully disposed of. Mr Kennedy said he later acquired a further 9lb.
Det Sergeant Richard Parry said he raided Mr Hughes's home last year with about ten officers and found a quantity of cannabis and between £11,000 and £12,000 in cash.

Tory students to attend Havana festival

By Our Education Correspondent

The British delegation to the World Festival of Youth and Students, *which takes place in* Havana in July, will include a wider cross-section of youth than ever before, Mr Charles Clarke, former president of the National Union of Students and now Britain's representative on the festival's permanent organizing committee, said yesterday.
Among groups that are expected to send delegates for the *first time are the Federation* of Conservative Students, the *Union of Jewish Students*, the National Federation of Young Farmers Clubs, the Labour Party Young Socialists, Scouts and Girl Guides, the Young Conservative Organization and the Student Christian Movement.
Letters are being sent to about four hundred youth organizations of all political persuasions, giving details of the festival and inviting them to nominate and, if possible, *sponsor, a delegate*. The cost of the nine-day festival, from July 28 to August 5, including travel, is expected to be about £250.
The triennial festivals, which began at the end of the Second World War with the aims of celebrating the victory over fascism and of promoting understanding between young people of different nations, have had a left-wing bias in the past. Only twice, for example, have they been held outside a communist country.

WEST EUROPE

Resignation of Signor Andreotti seems imminent with Italians accusing America of interference

Rome, Jan 13.—The resignation of Signor Giulio Andreotti, the Prime Minister, appeared imminent today as angry Communists accused the United States of interfering in Italian politics.

Among the critics of the statement made yesterday by the American State Department opposing Communists entering a new coalition was Signor Arnoldo Forlani, the Foreign Minister. Such statements were no help "in disentangling our situation", he said.

The lira came under heavy pressure and the Bank of Italy was forced to intervene to support the currency with sales of dollars estimated by financial sources at between $50m (about £25m) and $100m.

Signor Andreotti, who has headed a minority Christian Democratic Government for 17 months with the tacit support of five parties including the Communists, convened meetings with the parties' parliamentary leaders for tomorrow.

Leaders of the Communist, Socialist and Republican parties, which have been calling for a multi-party emergency government, were expected to withdraw their support and the Prime Minister was expected to resign—probably on Monday.

The Christian Democrats rejected the call for an emergency government, offering instead to draw up new parliamentary agreements expanding a six-party pact signed last July.

The Communists reacted by announcing today a nationwide campaign to support their own plan. They also denounced the strong Washington statement that the United States "would like to see Communist influence in any West European country reduced".

L'Unita, the Communist Party newspaper, said this was "an open and heavy interference, tending to influence the situation in our country, in contrast to the principle of non-interference so often proclaimed by President Carter".

Mr Richard Gardner, the United States Ambassador, returned today from his talks with the President in Washington and said the statement "explains our position very clearly for those who want to hear".

The Christian Democratic Party commented: "Our view remains that of rejecting any interference and at the same time paying attention to the concerns of an ally to which we are linked by ties of friendship and common interest."

But one Christian Democratic deputy disagreed. Signor Carlo Fracanzani called the Washington statement "a grave and inadmissible interference in our internal affairs".

Political analysts said Signor Andreotti might try to form a new government on the basis of a wider parliamentary pact with other parties—including the Communists—to deal with the sagging economy, extremist violence and other major issues. But it was not clear if the Communists, having announced their nationwide campaign, would be prepared to settle for much less than their goal of cabinet posts.

If both sides remained firm, the analysts said, it was likely that President Leone would dissolve Parliament and order an early general election.—Reuter.

Jan Murray writes from Paris.: In the view of the French Foreign Ministry there is nothing abnormal in the United States, in its role as an ally, putting out an opinion on the eventual participation of communists in Western governments. The American declaration, it was pointed out, mtde it clear that the sovereignty of the countries concerned was recognized.

Candidate ranks swell for French election

From Ian Murray
Paris, Jan 13

The breakdown of the electoral pact between the parties forming the government majority, and the failure of Communists and Socialists to agree on a common programme, means that the French voter will confront a record number of first-ballot candidates in the March general elections.

The inevitable splitting of the vote makes the already uncertain election result even more difficult to foretell.

The number of candidates has been growing over the years. In 1968 there were 2,267 and in the last election, in 1974, there were 3,140, which is roughly seven for each constituency.

While this may sit well with President Giscard d'Estaing's firm belief in "pluralism" in French government, the multiplicity of candidates nevertheless poses real electoral problems for both left and right.

Now that the Gaullists have torn up the majority coalition election pact and decided to fight every seat, they will clearly be unlikely to stand aside in the second round of the election for any majority candidate polling fewer votes.

The Communists are now going to stand in all constituencies, while further to the left organizations such as the Communist League are putting up 250 candidates.

There are fringe groups on both left and right putting up candidates, too: royalists, federalists, the National Front, the French Common Sense Union and the Workers' Struggle Movement, to name but a few. The ecologists as well, after their success in last year's municipal elections will be there in strength.

Most of the fringe groups will poll only few votes but in some cases these could stop the main candidates from getting the 12.5 per cent they need to enter the second round.

Faced with this growing confusion, M François Mitterand, the Socialist leader, said today that his party could expect to win 160 seats and might even double its previous 93 seats.

M Georges Marchais, the Communist leader, attacked the Socialists for letting down the hopes of the left, and said that neither their party nor his could win the election on its own.

Communists make going difficult for Dr Soares

Lisbon, Jan 13.—Dr Mario Soares, Portugal's caretaker Prime Minister, said tonight he had run into difficulties with the Communists in his search for a stable majority for a new government and that the situation was "very serious".

He was speaking to the press after reporting to President Eanes on his attempt to solve the country's five-week-old political crisis.

Dr Soares, recovering from a severe bout of influenza, said the Communists had refused to sign an understanding which would help a stable new government and had made fresh demands which the Socialists could not meet.

The 53-year-old Socialist leader, whose minority Cabinet was defeated on its austerity programme in Parliament on December 8, said he was going to consider the situation and consult his party before reporting to General Eanes again tomorrow night on whether he thought he could go ahead with his mission.

The Army disclosed today that 35 automatic rifles which led to the arrest on Wednesday of the head of Portugal's state television had been distributed by the Army to loyal supporters during a political crisis in 1975.

Lawyers representing Dr Edmundo Pedro, a prominent member of the ruling Socialist Party, immediately appealed for his release, saying the Army's disclosure showed he had done no wrong. He had been collecting the rifles to take them back to the Army, they said.

But the deputy head of the criminal investigation department, Dr Gomes Dias, said the Army statement changed nothing.

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Mr Carter entangled in attorney's dismissal

From David Cross
Washington, Jan 13

President Carter and his Attorney General, Mr Griffin Bell, have become personally involved in a controversy involving the dismissal of a Republican prosecutor who is reported to be investigating Democratic congressmen for alleged financial irregularities.

Until yesterday, a spirited campaign to keep Mr David Marston, the federal attorney in Philadelphia, in his post had been mostly limited to local supporters. They have been inundating the White House with telephone calls protesting against his dismissal.

But at a televised press conference here yesrerday the issue came to national prominence when Mr Carter was subjected to hostile questions from reporters. He conceded that Mr Joshua Eilberg, a Democratic congressman from Pennsylvania, had been in touch with him and wanted the "replacement process to be expedited".

According to the *Philadelphia Inquirer* newspaper, Mr Eilberg is being investigated by Mr Marston's staff over alleged financial irregularities in a hospital project.

Mr Carter denied that pressure from Mr Eilberg had any connexion with Mr Marston's impending departure. The decision to replace him had been taken months ago, the President maintained.

Both he and Mr Bell, at a subsequent press conference, insisted that they knew nothing about Mr Marston's reported investigation of Mr Eilberg's alleged misconduct when they discussed the federal attorney's future last year.

The decision to replace Mr Marston is causing a furore principally because it appears to breach a campaign promise by Mr Carter to appoint all federal prosecutors on the basis of merit, not politics. Predictably, the Republicans are incensed at the decision to dismiss Mr Marston, who was appointed by former President Ford shortly before he left office.

Supporters of Mr Marston maintain that he is one of the best attorneys they have ever had. Over the past year he has successfully prosecuted some of the most prominent and powerful Democratic figures in the state.

Voters may face choice between masters of media

'America's toughest cop' has eye on California governor's job

From Ivor Davis
Los Angeles, Jan 13



Mr Edward Davis: a label to live up to.

When Mr Jerry Brown, California's bachelor Governor, complained recently that the Los Angeles police were investigating his friend Linda Rondstadt, the pop singer, Mr Edward Davis, the police chief, sent a note to Mr Brown.

It said: "I'm not investigating Linda, she just isn't my type. I'm glad to hear, however, that you have a girl friend. I'm sure your parents are pleased also . . . I think it's very nice."

The letter was the first shot in a battle between Mr Davis, who retires this weekend at the age of 61, and Mr Brown, for votes in this year's election for governors.

Before Mr Davis can face Mr Brown in the election, however, he has first to win the Republican Party's nomination in June. To do that he will have to defeat Mr Evelle Younger, the state Attorney General. Mr Younger is the Republican frontrunner, but Mr Davis describes him as "about as exciting as a mashed potato sandwich".

A Davis-Brown confrontation would be an interesting one because they have at least one thing in common. They are both masters in manipulating the media and in California, with a population of 22 million, that frequently means victory.

Mr Davis's political philosophy is to the right of Mr Ronald Reagan, the former Governor, and he accuses the Brown administration of being responsible for everything he believes to be wrong in California today, from permissive judges to the predominance of people in the state with "unusual sexual habits". His image as "America's toughest cop" has been carefully nurtured.

Calling the state "a rotten cesspool", he jokes about "fruits and fairies in government" and appeals to the "decent people of the state to return to morality and truth" under the inspired leadership of himself.

But the spectre of the man they once called "Crazy Ed" as governor sends many in California into palpitations. For the Davis credo is extreme. During the rash of hijackings round the world, he suggested erecting portable gallows at airports and staging instant trials and executions.

It was he who declared war on homosexuals campaigning for equal rights in California and said he would never allow a homosexual policeman to share a patrol car with a "straight" officer.

It was the thought of such a man as governor that led one American political writer to suggest an opposition campaign slogan: "Davis will be great if you want a police state."

Mr Davis shrugs off suggestions that the California public may not yet be ready to elect a former policeman. "It's no handicap. General Eisenhower went through that when he was Supreme Commander running for President", he says. "He made the transition okay. I don't mind the 'tough cop' label. It's better than being known as Ed Davis the wishy washy policeman."

Royal treasures lose out to US football

From Michael Leapman
New York, Jan 13

The National Broadcasting Company (NBC) has abandoned a plan to show a two-hour BBC programme about Britain's royal treasures this Sunday, at the same time as a rival network is showing the Super Bowl football final. Since about 80 per cent of viewers are likely to watch the game, which is of the same importance here as the FA Cup Final, the BBC film would have gained abysmal ratings.

The film is a compendium of highlights of the *Royal Heritage* series shown in Britain last year. It is called *Treasures of the British Crown*.

A report in *The New York Times* today says that it is not being shown against the Super Bowl because such "sacrificial scheduling" would have been insulting to Britain.

Mr George Hoover, a vice-president of NBC, said today, that it was not as simple as that. "We think it's a terrific programme. We would like to give it as much exposure as possible." But many people who would want to watch would not miss the Super Bowl.

The result of this desire not to waste the royal programme on a small audience is that it will have to wait until much later this year for a screening.

Mail group denies 'Trib' deal

From Our Own Correspondent
New York, Jan 13

Mr Vere Harmsworth, chairman of Associated Newspapers, said here today that he did not think he would be buying *The Trib*, New York's new morning newspaper. Rumours that Associated, which publishes the *Daily Mail* and the *Evening News* in London, were interested in the purchase were rife yesterday.

Mr Harmsworth and Mr Michael Shields, managing director of Associated, did have discussions yesterday with Mr Leonard Saffir, *The Trib's* publisher. The lack of any announcement afterwards fed speculation that there had been disagreement on a price.

Mr Harmsworth indicated that he had made no firm offer for the paper, whose launching cost was about $4m (£2m). "How do you make an offer for something which has no value?" he said. "It's only been going on for a few days. I think they're going on on their own."

Mr Saffier says that about 90 per cent of *The Trib's* 260,000 daily print now is being sold.

Dominant army role sought for guerrillas

From Our Correspondent
Salisbury, Jan 13

The United African N Council of Bishop Abel rewa believes the gue should constitute the strength of the new Zim national army, according David Mukome, the publicity secretary, in a ment today on the progr the internal settlement

He said that after the tions of the election of to parliament under a majority rule governmen what blocking powers would be given, had settled, the next matter be the question of the forces.

The future of the army the civil service was like take some time to resolv the UANC wanted to that whatever decision reached was in the bes terests of Zimbabwe as a Mr Mukome said.

He thought the talks progressed reasonably well sidering the importance o matters involved. The pr course was the correct on

The compelling factor pressing for a transfer of p from minority to majority was a need to end the pr conflict. But despite party's desire to see the end, it was not prepare reach an unsatisfactory Mr Mukome said.

Mr John Smith, the S tary for African Education, today that guerrilla activiti the tribal trust lands had to the closure of 436 prim schools, affecting some 85 pupils and 2,500 teachers, s January, 1977. He said g rillas had burnt schools in tribal trust lands, humili teachers and driven pupils f their classrooms.

A dawn to dusk curfew been imposed on the Chinam tribal trust lands just north Salisbury. A 15-year-old w schoolboy was murdered guerrillas near the reserve week. A police spokesman s the order comes into eff from midnight tomorrow.

Mr Roger Hawkins, Minister of Defence and Co bined Operations, said to that guerrilla atrocities in tri trust lands had helped recr ment to the army, police, gu force and other security un

Commenting on the war sit tion, Mr Hawkins said: "T are holding our position desp problems that arise with t rain."

Two members of the secur forces have been killed. Th were Flight Sergeant Ben Jarvie, aged 30, and Flig Sergeant Alexander Flemi aged 29. Both were marrie Two guerrillas have been kill by security forces.

European group settles uranium deal with Brazil

From Our Correspondent
Amsterdam, Jan 13

Britain, Holland and West Germany have reached agreement with Brazil on the terms under which enriched uranium will be produced for that country, the Dutch Foreign Ministry announced today. The three European nations have a consortium, Urenco, which operates an uranium enrichment plant in the Dutch town of Almelo.

Terms of the agreement have not yet been made public, although they do fall within the guidelines announced in Washington yesterday on behalf of the so-called "Suppliers' Club" of nuclear exporters.

Brazil is not a signatory to the non-proliferation treaty, so other guarantees were needed from Brazil that the enriched uranium would not be used for military purposes.

Papers publish again

Paris, Jan 13.—Unions and management of *Le Figaro* and *France Soir* have agreed to begin a study of merging the newspapers' administrative staff and shifting the presses outside Paris. Both papers, which did not publish yesterday, appeared normally today.

Victim of IRA entering Dutch politics

Arnhem, Jan 13.—Dr Tiede Herrema, the Dutch businessman who was abducted in 1976 by the IRA from a Dutch-owned factory in the Irish Republic, is entering politics.

He is a candidate for the Dutch Liberal Party in the municipal council elections soon to be held in his home town of Arnhem.—AP.



Mr Weizman, the Israeli Defence Minister, makes friends with an Egyptian girl during a visit to the Pyramids yesterday.

At least 2,000 Chileans arrested in Argentina

Buenos Aires, Jan 13.—At least 2,000 Chilean citizens were arrested yesterday by security forces in Argentina, it is reported here.

There was no official explanation for the arrests, which were concentrated in the southern Argentine province of Chubut. However, there is tension between Chile and Argentina over three disputed islands south of the Beagle Channel.

Chubut province borders Chile, and many Chileans have lived for years in slums on the outskirts of towns there without ever going through the legal formalities required by the Argentine authorities for foreign residents.

Newspapers reported that joint Navy, Army and police patrols rounded up 1,45 Chileans without papers in th town of Trelew and another 60 in Comodoro Rivadavia.

In Mar del Plata, Captain Gualter Allara, the Foreign Ministry under-secretary, denied rumours that Argentina would reject the arbitration award granting Chile the islands.

However, the decision could be declared invalid because of its "many errors and defects", he added.

He said it created a problem of "national dignity" and "the extension of Chile to the Atlantic would be very significant".—Agence France-Presse.

French Navy ship rescued in storm off Brittany

Brest, Jan 13.—A French Navy escort vessel, the Duperre, was pulled off by a tug after it ran aground in a storm off Brittany last night. Coastguards took off the 244 crewmen but left a skeleton crew on board.

A Navy spokesman said the tug was towing the ship into Brest.

Madrid: Gales, torrential rain and heavy snow for the second consecutive day paralysed almost all northern Spain today. Many airports were closed.

Traffic police said 1,500 motorists spent last night trapped by a snowdrift on a mountain pass north of Burgos, the main road to France.

Spain's North African city of Melilla had light snow for the first time in 40 years.

Vicenza: Italian police and volunteers dug through snow near Valmaron today to clear a road to 200 United States Army soldiers isolated by an avalanche.

Aosta: The tunnel linking Italy and France under Mont Blanc was closed today after trucks slid across entrance ramps.

In the Swiss canton of Tessin about 20in of snow fell, a 43-year record.—Reuter, UPI, Agence France-Presse.

In brief

Father and son killed by bomb

Tel Aviv, Jan 13.—A father and son were killed today when a terrorist bomb exploded after the boy found it in an empty lot where they were gathering grass for their horse.

Police said they were Sallah Abdel Khader, aged 54, and his son Abed, aged 12, of Jaffa. Another son, aged nine, escaped injury.—AP.

Terrorist executed

Paris, Jan 13.—Vladimir Shvanya, a 42-year-old Georgian nationalist, has been executed by a Soviet firing squad after being sentenced to death for bomb attacks in Tbilisi, a Paris committee monitoring the application of the Helsinki agreement stated.

Hot property

Perth, Jan 13.—A thief in Western Australia chose the hottest day ever recorded in the city—113 degrees Fahrenheit—to steal a $A6,000 (£2,900) mink coat.

Sun Life may stay

Ottawa, Jan 13.—Canada's biggest insurance company, Sun Life, has agreed to review its plan to move its head office from Montreal because of Quebec's French-language policies.

Antarctic airlift

Canberra, Jan 13.—The United States and Russia have joined forces to airlift Mr Colin Perger, a sick Australian radio technician, from the Antarctic to New Zealand for treatment.

Swiss court bombed

Berne, Jan 13.—A bomb thrown from the street caused extensive damage last night to the Supreme Court building of the Swiss canton of Berne.

E German attack under scrutiny

From Gretel Spitzer in Berlin and Patricia Clough in Bonn, Jan 13

Germans on both sides of the border are trying to divine the significance and discover the authors of the anonymous manifesto in which the East German regime has been strongly attacked, apparently from the inside.

If the manifesto is genuine—and most informed opinion in the West believes that it is—the document would indicate the existence of the first opposition group, as opposed to individual dissidents, in East Germany in recent years.

The authors call themselves the Federation of Democratic Communists of Germany. *Der Spiegel* news magazine, which published the document, claims that they are high and middle-ranking officials in the East German Communist Party, working in secret cells.

The manifesto rejects the one-party system and Soviet domination, and calls for an independent judiciary and Parliament. It goes on to attack leading figures in office, accusing them by name of corruption, abuse of office and "scandalous parasitism".

East Germany reacted with unusual sharpness, closing *Der Spiegel's* East Berlin office despite an agreement guaranteeing West German correspondents freedom of movement.

In West Berlin, in particular, this nervous reaction is seen as prompted by a deep sense of insecurity. The picture painted of life in East Germany, with enforced participation in "voluntary" political activities, obtuse functionaries, an ever-spreading state apparatus and the privileges of party officials, is thought to have struck a raw nerve with the Government there sharply aware that its population is dissatisfied.

The publication of the document is expected to strengthen the position within the East German regime of hardliners who press for the "*Abgrenzung*", or firm separation, of East and West.

But while Bonn observers do not entirely dismiss theories that the document is a fake produced by hardliners to strengthen their position, many elements appear to contradict this.

The publication of the manifesto and its repercussions have been unwelcome to the Social Democrat-led Government in Bonn, which is working for closer ties with the East.

The West Germans carefully avoided compounding the damage with angry comments or retaliation for the closure of *Der Spiegel's* office. Bonn officials feel the affair has been blown up in the West German press and hope the fuss will die down without permanently damning relations with the East.

President writes to thank his interpreter

Washington, Jan 13.—President Carter has sent a handwritten note of thanks to Mr Steven Seymour, the interpreter who gave an unfortunate connotation to some of Mr Carter's remarks at Warsaw airport on December 29.

"Don't let the exaggerated criticisms disturb you", Mr Carter wrote. "Those who analysed your translation say the errors were minor. You helped to make my visit to Poland enjoyable and successful. Thanks."

Mr Seymour has said he did not receive an advance text and stood in freezing rain waiting for Mr Carter. He was proud of his translation in a difficult situation.—New York Times News Service.

Herr Schmidt seeks fairer deal for German fisherman

From Our Own Correspondent
Bonn, Jan 13

Herr Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, has written to Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the European Commission, pressing urgently for a Community agreement on fishing rights.

The West German fishing industry has been severely hit by the extension by EEC countries of their fishing limits to 200 miles, excluding West German fishermen from large areas in the North Sea and North-East Atlantic.

Similar action by Baltic countries, particularly Poland and East Germany, has virtually squeezed West German fishermen out of the Baltic Sea as well.

The EEC's ministerial council will meet to discuss the fishing problems in Brussels next week.

Copenhagen: Herr Schmidt arrived today for informal talks with Dr Joergensen, the Danish Prime Minister, which are expected to centre on EEC affairs and economic matters.—Reuter.

Italian terror gang shoot telephone chief

Rome, Jan 13.—Left-wing terrorists today shot and wounded a senior executive of the Italian state telephone company here. He was the third businessman to be shot this year by members of extreme left-wing groups.

Signor Lello De Rosa, aged 54, was shot several times in the legs outside his house.

An anonymous caller to a news agency later claimed the shooting on behalf of the Red Brigades.—Reuter.

Spain destroys secret police files

Madrid, Jan 13.—The Spanish Government today ordered the destruction of police files on thousands of politicians and trade unionists who were considered state enemies by General Franco.

An order published by the Official Gazette said such records were no longer of any "administrative use". The police, the Interior Ministry and the Ministry of Culture were instructed to go through the files and keep only those documents of "historical" value.

The retained files would be locked away and opened for consultation only after a period of years, to be determined by the Interior Ministry, the order said.

After the order was issued the cultural section of the ruling Democratic Centre Union issued a statement urging the police to preserve historical documents. It said indiscriminate burning of police records in 1931, when the Spanish Republic was proclaimed, had hindered historians.

Most of the files that were ordered to be destroyed today were compiled by the "Brigada Social", General Franco's secret police.

In Pamplona today cries of "ETA murderers" rang out from police sympathizers as scores of weeping policemen attended the funeral of a colleague.

The funeral service was for Inspector José Manuel Baena, aged 31, who was shot dead during Wednesday's gun battle with members of the Basque separatist guerrilla organization ETA.

British woman held in Athens on drug charge

Athens, Jan 13.—Miss Denise-Anne Nash, aged 25, of Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, was remanded in custody today on charges of illegal possession, sale and smuggling of drugs into Greece, a police spokesman said here.

She was arrested in her flat in Glyfas suburb. The police alleged that she was trying to sell a quantity of heroin to a former Greek air stewardess.

The police said Miss Nash arrived in Greece in December and 32 grams of heroin were found in her possession. She was being detained in Korydallos prison, near Piraeus, pending trial.—Reuter.

Protesters held as Shah's wife visits New York

New York, Jan 13.—Several people were arrested yesterday as hundreds demonstrated against the visit of Empress Farah of Iran to New York and supporters of the Shah held a counter-rally.

Police said six men and two women opposing the visit were arrested on charges of criminal trespass and disorderly conduct after they entered the lobby of the New York Hilton, where the Empress was the guest at a dinner given by the Asia Society. There was no violence.

Several hundred police officers, including some on horses, kept order outside the hotel.

About 500 protesters, most wearing masks for fear of being identified by Iranian secret police, carried placards reading, "Iran, the next Vietnam" and "Down with the fascist Shah". They chanted slogans condemning the visit.

About 150 supporters of the Shah chanted "We love our Queen".

The hostile demonstrators said the protest was organized by the Confederation of Iranian Students to "show Americans that their Government is supporting a dictatorship".

Last autumn, a visit by the Shah and his wife to Washington set off the most violent demonstrations there since the Vietnam war protests.—UPI.

Donald Duck in disgrace

Helsinki, Jan 13.—The Youth Board here has ruled that Donald Duck is not suitable reading for children and has cancelled library subscriptions to the comic.

The board found that Donald was unduly bourgeois. It also complained of pictures of naked ducks, tales of incomplete families, harmful attitudes towards children and Donald's common-law marriage.—Agence France-Presse.

Girls' death leap

Osaka, Jan 13.—Two 13-year-old schoolgirls jumped to their deaths together from the roof of a 10-storey block of flats. The classmates left suicide notes saying: "Goodbye everyone. Do not grieve." Their motive was not known.

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Callaghan tour raises Pakistan interest in Commonwealth link

From Richard Wigg
Lahore, Jan 13

General Zia ul-Haq gave a broad hint today that he would be pleased if one of the member nations set in motion the machinery for inviting Pakistan to rejoin the Commonwealth.

Talking to reporters here after seeing off Mr Callaghan for Aswan at the end of the British Prime Minister's 48-hour visit, the Pakistani military ruler said he and Mr Callaghan basically agreed that the return of his country to the Commonwealth should be based on general agreement among the members.

Contacts now going on with member governments' showed, he said, that they were willing.

General Zia was speaking more optimistically on this subject than before his talks with Mr Callaghan, and suggested that it was time the Pakistan people were asked whether a majority favoured ending the separation from the Commonwealth brought about by Mr Bhutto, the former Prime Minister, after the 1971 war when Britain recognized Bangladesh.

Lahore had its Zamzama gun, made famous by Rudyard Kipling as "Kim's gun", back on show today in time to be seen by Mr Callaghan as he sped down the Mall to visit the Lahore fort and Badshahi Mosque. The carriage for the 14-foot gun, cast in this city more than 200 years ago, has been rebuilt by Pakistan Army engineers.

Muslim League call: Mr Bhutto has recently been accused in the press of taking Pakistan out of the Commonwealth as a publicity stunt.

The Muslim League, the largest party in the anti-Bhutto Pakistan National Alliance, is the latest body to call for reconsideration of the decision to leave the Commonwealth.

General Zia said after Mr Callaghan had left: "Everybody seems to feel that Pakistan should perhaps have a second look at this question."

He noted "with all credit to Britain", that Pakistani immigrants in Britain were treated on an equal basis with Commonwealth immigrants. If Britain withdrew these privileges "the loss will be ours", he said.

Mr Callaghan ended his visit, part of a 10-day tour of south Asia, with an hour watching the one-day cricket international between the touring England side and Pakistan.—Reuter.

Concorde well within Kennedy noise limits

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, Jan 13

The Anglo-French Concorde has continued to stay comfortably within the noise levels set for Kennedy Airport in New York during its first full month of operations there, the federal aviation authorities said today.

In its second monitoring report on takeoffs and landings, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) said that departures from the runway normally used by Concorde averaged 95.7 decibels at Howard Beach and 97.5 decibels at Belle Harbour, the two sites closest to the point of take-off.

This compares with a limit of 112 decibels set by the local authorities.

These levels were much lower than those measured at Dulles Airport on the outskirts of Washington where they averaged nearly 120 decibels during Concorde's 12-month trial there, the report added. The FAA attributed Concorde's quieter performance at Kennedy to flight paths which normally avoided densely populated areas and the lighter weight due to the shorter transatlantic flight.

During December there were 90 takeoffs and landings by Concorde at Kennedy which prompted a total of 349 complaints from the public. Over the same period, 395 complaints were received about other aircraft using Kennedy. Some subsonic aircraft such as Boeing 707s were occasionally nosier than Concorde.



Mr Tongsun Park, central figure in a Washington bribery scandal, drives away in Seoul with his American lawyer, Mr William Hundley, after being interrogated by United States investigators about public figures to whom he made payments.

Bribes case Korean gives names

Seoul, Jan 13.—After long negotiations between the United States and South Korea, Mr Tongsun Park, the wealthy South Korean who fled Washington in 1976 before being indicated for bribing congressmen to influence American policy, today disclosed for the first time names of people to whom he said he had paid substantial sums of money.

He was interrogated for some six hours in the American Embassy here by Mr Mr Benjamin Civilerti, Assistant Attorney General, two prosecutors, three Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and two Korean prosecutors. A lie-detector was used in the interrogation.

Afterwards, Mr Bruce Caputo, of the House of Representatives ethics committee, who was also present, said he felt a sense of "disgrace". A lot of people were mentioned as having received substantial sums offered by Tongsun Park", he said.

"Members of Congress, members of the Senate . . . some very substantial amounts of money, meanigful amounts of money . . . There were some whom he denied having any relationship with.

"I think this was a survey today. The plan of interrogation is to cover roughly the entire spectrum at the outset and then go back and pick up on a more textual basis each particular individual and particular relationships with Mr Park.—and today we covered just about the entire spectrum of possible collaborators."

Some of the information Mr Park gave surprised even the Justice Department investigators, he said. "Certainly some of the amounts were quite surprising, and the period of time it went on."

American officials said present questioning in Seoul would last about 10 days.

According to the agreement between the United States and South Korea, Mr Park will give his evidence to the American Justice Department here and to an American court later. He will be granted immunity from prosecution and a grand jury indictment against him for bribery, fraud and 34 other counts will be dismissed.

The agreement also provides that Mr Park will assume no obligation to appear before congressional committees.

Mr Caputo, however, said today that he still believed Mr Park should appear before his committee.—UPI and Reuter.

Korchnoi presses for release of family

From Dessa Trevisan
Belgrade, Jan 13

Viktor Korchnoi, challenger for the world chess championship today denied that he would fefuse to play against the present champion, Anatoly Karpov, unless the Russian authorities alowed his family to leave the Soviet Union.

He said, however, that the more successful he became in international chess, the more he would demand that the Soviet Union let his family out.

Korchnoi's wife Bela, aged 46, his son Igor, aged 18, have been trying to obtain permission to emigrate to Israel. The Russian's refusal was announced about two months ago on the eve of Korchnoi's match with Boris Spassky of the Soviet Union—the series that ended yesterday in Korchnoi's favour.

After his victory yesterday he said that he considered it his political task now to play against Karpov and to beat him. But he wanted the right, after his victory, to remind the world of the existence of his family.

Their situation, he told me, was desperate, as they had no means of livelihood. Their case is no different to that of other Russians who wished to leave and were prevented from doing so. "But", Korchnoi said, "the higher I go up on the chess stairway, the more right I acquore to demand from the Soviet authorities to let my family leave". He himself defected to the West in 1976

Michael Stean, a British grandmaster and one of Korchnoi's seconds, said Korchnoi intended to put "all possible pressure" on the Soviet authorities for his family's release.

"As challenger, he feels he is in a strong position", Stean said.

Muted reaction: Societ newspapers kept the news of Korchnoi's victory in Belgrade to the bare facts. *Pravda*'s backpage report read: "In the play-off of the adjourned eighteenth game of the final world championship challengers' match, B. Spassky lost to V. Korchnoi, who won the match with a score of 10.5 to 7.5."—Reuter.

Mrs Gandhi called again for evidence

Delhi, Jan 13.—Mrs Gandhi, the former Prime Minister, has been summoned to testify before the Shah Commission next Thursday.

The summons was issued despite Mrs Ghandhi's refusal on Wednesday to give evidence under oath before the commission concerning her emergency rule, which is the subject of the commission's investigation.

On Wednesday the commission ordered Mrs Gandhi's trial by a magistrate for her refusal to testify.

She has been asked to give evidence on events between June 12 and June 25 of 1975, which led to the national emergency she imposed.

Today's summons was issued to correct a typographical error in the earlier summons, in response to which Mrs Gandhi appeared before the commission on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The previous summons mixed up the dates, and Mrs Gandhi's lawyer objected.

A commission official said the necessary case against Mrs Gandhi would be filed before a magistrate "most probably tomorrow".—UPI.

'Friendship' theme from Phnom Penh

Bangkok, Jan 13.—For the first time since the conflict broke out between Vietnam and Cambodia, Radio Phnom Penh today spoke of "true friendship" with Vietnam and diplomatic circles foresee the possibility soon of negotiations between the two countries.

Until today, Radio Phnom Penh had rejected all Vietnamese offers of friendship

Only yesterday it was referring to the fighting as "a racial war". Today's broadcast claimed that "the revolutionary troops and heroic population" of Cambodia had "launched a strong counter attack and chased the aggressors off Cambodian territory by January 6".

A reliable diplomatic source here said fighting had stopped since January 9, with the Vietnamese units pulled back along the border.

It was not known, however, whether, as some diplomatic sources reported, the Vietnamese had left behind an armed Cambodian administration made up of opponents of the Khmer Rouge regime.—Agence France-Presse.

Pornographer sees the light and turns his attention to biblical themes

From Patrick Brogan
Washington, Jan 13

Mr Larry Flynt, one of America's leading pornographers, who was brought to Christ by President Carter's sister, Ruth, sees opening before him a whole new realm of religious education.

He publishes two magazines, *Hustler and Chic* (pronounced chick), and is the acknowledged national leader in the gynaecological approach to photographing models.

In an interview with the *Washington Star*, he described the practical changes that his recent conversion would have upon Hustler. "We intend", he said, "to extol more godly life. I'm going to put life on one side and the Bible on the other

"Most of the photo-features you'll be seeing in *Hustler* in the months to come will be taken right out of the Bible. There is more explicit sex in the King James version of the Bible than any other book I know."

Mr Flynt used to run topless bars and similar establishments in Cleveland, Ohio, but his business enterprises were unsuccessful until he launched into pornography three years ago.

He brough scarology off the walls of public lavatories and on to the glossy pages of magazines. Where *Playboy* strives for respectability and carries serious articles, such as the famous interview with Mr Carter before the last election, *Hustler* concentrates on straightforward obscenity.

Various places across the country have tried to put him in jail for it, but the confusion of the Supreme Court's decisions on pornography have saved him so far. He gave a press conference here a year ago, at which he flourished a cheque for a million dollars which he said he was ready to devote to a serious study of sexual repression, if the Government would cooperate. He has now offered a million-dollar reward for the solution of the alleged Kennedy assassination mystery.

Mrs Ruth Stapleton, the President's sister, is a professional evangelist. She converted Mr Flynt in an aeroplane flying across the country: he knelt at her feet and confessed all.

Hustler ($2.50) is meant to amuse lorry drivers and the like, *Chic* ($2.25) is meant to be slightly more classy (and less scatological). They are both quite dreadful.

Mr Flynt, on Mrs Stapleton's advice, has bought a weekly newspaper in Plains, the Carters' home town in Georgia, and the link may one day damage America's best-known born-again Baptist.

World press plea for inquiry into editor's murder

By Our Foreign Staff

The murder of Dr Pedro Joaquin Chamorro, editor of the newspaper *La Prensa*, must be thoroughly investigated, the International Press Institute has declared in a telegram to General Anastasio Somoza, the President of Nicaragua.

Dr Chamorro, a critic of the Somoza regime, was shot dead on Tuesday in Maragua, the capital, by a gang using machine guns.

Noting Dr Chamorro's high standing internationally, the institute said in the telegram to General Somoza: "May the 2,000 members of the International Press Institute, leading editors and publishers in more than 60 countries, urge the most energetic investigation into his murder? We would be encouraged to receive your assurance on this point so that the world's press may be able to publish the fact."

Blood supply research on Salyut 6

Moscow, Jan 13.—Four cosmonauts working together on the Salyut 6 orbiting station today carried out medical experiments and transferred personnel equipment between the ferry craft which are to bring them back to earth.

Tass news agency said the men conducted research into the effects of weightlessness on the blood supply.—Reuter.

Vietnam releases US yacht

Manila, Jan 13.—The United State Navy has sent a ship and an aircraft to the South China Sea to look for the American yacht Brillig and its three crewmen, released by Vietnam after three months' arrest, a Navy spokesman said today.

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And notice is further given that the said Petition is directed to be heard before The Honourable Mr. Justice Slade at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, on Monday the 23rd day of January 1978.

Any Creditor or Shareholder of the said Company desiring to oppose the making of an Order for the confirmation of the said reduction of capital should appear at the time of hearing in person or by Counsel for that purpose.

A copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such person requiring the same by the under-mentioned Solicitors on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

Dated this 13th day of January 1978

LINKLATERS & PAINES (CWG), Barrington House, 59/67, Gresham Street, London EC2V 7JA. Solicitors for the Company.

Re: E. RENSTEN & CO. Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation) and the Companies Act, 1948.

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No 003427 of 1977
In the HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE Chancery Division Group A In the matter of THE TYNESIDE INVESTMENT TRUST LIMITED and in the matter of THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948

Notice is hereby given that a PETITION was on the 12th day of December 1977 presented to Her Majesty's High Court of Justice for (a) the SANCTIONING of a SCHEME of ARRANGEMENT and (b) the CONFIRMATION of the REDUCTION of the CAPITAL of the above-named Company from £1,900,000 to £1,700,000 by cancelling the 800,000 5% Cumulative Preference Shares of 25p each in the Capital of the said Company in accordance with the terms of the said Scheme of Arrangement.

And notice is further given that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr Justice Slade at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2 on Monday the 23rd day of January 1978.

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A Copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such person requiring the same by the under-mentioned Solicitors on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

Dated this 13th day of January 1978.

DICKINSON DEES, Cross House, Westgate Road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne NE99 1SB. Solicitors for the above-named Company.

No 003426 of 1977
In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Group A In the Matter of CARLIOL INVESTMENT TRUST Limited and In the Matter of The Companies Act, 1948

Notice is hereby given that a PETITION was on the 12th day of December 1977 presented to Her Majesty's High Court of Justice for (a) the SANCTIONING of a SCHEME of ARRANGEMENT and (b) the CONFIRMATION of the REDUCTION of the CAPITAL of the above-named Company from £3,000,000 to £2,750,000 by cancelling the 1,000,000 4% Cumulative Preference Shares of 25p each in the Capital of the said Company in accordance with the terms of the said Scheme of Arrangement.

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SPORT

Cricket

England suffer first tour defeat at hands of Mohsin and Sarfraz

From John Woodcock
Gricket Correspondent
Lahore, Jan 13

The England cricketers suffered the first defeat of their tour here today, losing the third and last of the one-day "*internationals*" by 36 runs. Needing 159 to win, they were bowled out in the thirty-second of their thirty-five overs for 122. Having lost the one-day game at Sahiwal off the last ball of the match, and that at Sialkot only narrowly, Pakistan were due for a victory and it was good to see them winning with such a young side.

The highlight of the day, socially anyway, was the visit this morning, with all the trappings, of General Zia-Ul-Haq, the country's chief martial law administrator, and Jim Callaghan. They stayed for 70 minutes, sitting for a while in light rain, which was about the only emergency not to have been allowed for. Their best entertainment came from Miandad and Mohsin Khan in a fifth wicket partnership of 59.

Mohsin was still there in the early afternoon, when the British Prime Minister's VC10 flew over the ground bound for Aswan. Mudassar had played well at the start of Pakistan's innings and Miandad brought a sparkle to the proceedings, as he usually does. But the innings of the day was Mohsin's, improbable as it may seem.

The cricketer he keeps reminding me of, both in the field and at the wicket, is Paul Sheahan, who played with such style for Australia not so long ago. After his 97 not out in Bahwalpur and 51 not out today, Mohsin seems sure to play in Karachi, unless he is kept out by one of the Pakistan Packer players, whose movements are a matter still of pure conjecture.

With 46 runs coming off the last five overs of Pakistan's innings, when Hasan Jamil was adding a few lusty blows to Mohsin's more elegant ones, England were left to score at *four and a half runs an over* to win. After five overs they were 15 for two, Boycott and Brearley having both fallen to Sarfraz, who makes something of a habit of dismissing Boycott, had also had him missed at slip of the first ball of England's innings.

Only when Randall and Roope were adding 48 for the fifth wicket did England look anything like getting home. Pakistan *employed two leg spin bowlers*, against the common trend, and it was one of these, Wasim Raja, who was made man of the match. Although he had failed to score, he took three wickets and, by throwing Roope out with a brilliant piece of fielding in the covers, he finished England off.

The award for the best bowler went—yes, you have guessed it—to Sarfraz, although his "apology to the nation" for his recalcitrance has yet to be published. He is said to have made it, and he must now be doubly pleased that he did.

ENGLAND

G. Boycott, l-b-w, b Sarfraz	6
*J. M. Brearley, c Shafique, b Sarfraz	1
D. W. Randall, c Mudassar, b Wasim Raja	32
M. W. Gatting, c and B Hassan	3
I. T. Botham, c Wasim Bari, b Iqbal	11
C. M. Old, c Wasim Raja, b Hassan	4
G. R. J. Roope, run out	37
†R. W. Taylor, b Wasim Raja	12
P. H. Edmonds, run out	0
J. K. Lever, c Amir, b Wasim Raja	0
G. A. Cope, not out	1
Extras (b-2, l-b 6, w 1, n-b 6)	15
Total (31.4 overs)	122

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—10, 2—15, 3—26, 4—42, 5—49, 6—97, 7—118, 8—119, 9—121, 10—122.

BOWLING: Sarfraz, 5—2—7—2; Amir, 4—1—6—0; Hassan, 5—0—30—2; Iqbal, 7—3—25—1; Miandad, 6—0—36—0; Raja, 4.4—0—23—3.

PAKISTAN

Mudassar Nazar, b Edmonds	30
Arshad Pervez, b Lever	8
Shafique Ahmad, st Taylor, b Edmonds	3
Javed Miandad, c Boycott, b Lever	31
Wasim Raja, c Boycott, b Cope	0
Mohsin Khan, not out	51
Hassan Jamil, c Boycott, b Old	21
Sarfraz Nawaz, not out	1
Extras (l-b 11, n-b 2)	13
Total (6 wkts)	158

*†Wasim Bari, Amir Hamid, Iqbal Qasim did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—22, 2—41, 3—53, 4—53, 5—112, 6—148.

BOWLING: Old, 7—0—35—1; Lever, 7—1—25—2; Botham, 7—0—41—0; Edmonds, 7—1—28—2; Cope, 7—0—16—1.

Gaekwad comes in and spin bowlers go out

Newcastle, Jan 13.—Aunshuman Gaekwad, who joined the Indian cricketers in Australia last week as a replacement for the injured Surinder Amarnath, will play his first game on the tour against Northern New South Wales here tomorrow. Bedi and Chandrasekhar, who between them took 11 wickets in the fourth Test which ended yesterday in a victory by an innings for India, are both rested.

Galvaskar takes over the captaincy from Bedi for the three-day match. Chauman, Viswanath and Kirmani also stand down. The Indians, who have now levelled the Test series at 2—2, have two weeks to prepare for the decisive final Test in Adelaide on January 28.

Tomorrow's match should be relaxing for the touring team after the tension in Sydney but the pitch does not look as though it will be of much assistance to them. It is expected to be a good batting wicket after giving the fast bowlers some early assistance, but there is unlikely to be much help for the spin attack which, in the absence of Bedi and Chandrasekhar, will be led by Prasanna.

The Northern New South Wales team contains only two players with Sheffield Shield experience—Hill, the captain, and Thompson, the wicketkeeper. Hill played in the only other match between Northern New South Wales and an Indian side 10 years ago, which the Indians won by two wickets.

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ICC to decide on February 1 whether to appeal

Jack Bailey, the secretary of the International Cricket Conference, announced yesterday that there would be a special meeting at Lord's on February 1. The conference has to decide whether to appeal, in conjunction with the Test and County Cricket Board, against the High Court ruling in favour of the Kerry Packer players. Mr Bailey and David Clark, the chairman and also the president of MCC, returned this week from visiting member nations.

Although the Conference managed to present a united front to Mr Packer last year, a split has developed since the High Court judgment. Pakistan have recalled three of Mr Packer's players—Mushtaq, Zaheer and Imran—for next week's final Test with England. West Indies have announced that all their players with Mr Packer will be considered for the forthcoming series with Australia.

On the other hand, the Australian selectors are unlikely to consider any members of the World Series Cricket organization when they name their touring party shortly. The TCCB will decide their attitude at a special meeting at Lord's next Tuesday. Their recommendations will be forwarded to the Cricket Council, which meets a week later, but no announcement is likely until after the ICC debate.

Patron leaves WCA

The annual meeting of the Women's Cricket Association at Lord's today will be told of the resignation of their patron, Jack Hayward, who has put almost £50,000 into the sport in recent years. Mr Hayward has taken this step as a protest against the dismissal of Rachel Heyhoe-Flint from the England captaincy and *her non-selection for the team for India*.

Cricket

NEW DELHI: Women's World Cup (50 overs): England 96 for 8 (S. Hodges 26 not out; S. Tredrea 4 for 25); Australia 100 for 2 (M. Jennings 57 not out; G. Bullah 2 for 9).

BRISBANE: Sheffield Shield: New South Wales 275 (D. Colley 64, A. Hilditch 61) v Queensland.

DACCA: Bangladesh, 174 (De Silva 6 for 69): Sri Lanka 39 for no wkt.

Howell defends decision to veto selection

Mr Denis Howell, the Sports Minister, yesterday defended his decision to veto the Sports Council's choice of the Rev Nicholas Stacey, at present Kent's director of social services, as its director. Questioned by Mr Nigel Spearing, Mr Howell said in a Commons written reply that he had received "overwhelming support" for his decision.

He added that he had resolutely refused to discuss the merits of individual applicants for public *posts in public because it* was "quite intolerable". He said that his department had not been consulted about the short list of eight candidates interviewed by the Council in December.

When the decision of the selection board was announced shortly afterwards, he pointed out that the appointment needed his approval under the terms of the Royal Charter establishing the Sports Council. He said he told the Council the matter would need time for consideration "since Ministers had not so far been consulted".

"The Sports Minister must be *satisfied that* the director of the Sports Council was competent to be accounting officer for the council's public expenditure" Mr Howell said. He also had to be sure that the director was qualified in matters of sport and physical recreation and could be expected to hold the confidence of the Council and those with whom it worked in the promotion of sport.

"After careful consideration, I was unable to endorse the recommendation of the selection board." He said he had given the chairman of the Sports Council a full explanation of his decision. The Council would be re-advertising the post.

Yachting

Tabarly case may have to go before jury

Organizers of the round-the-world race, sponsored by Whitbread, say they have received a certificate of rating from Eric Tabarly, of France, who was banned earlier this month because his certificate was out of date. But a spokesman at race control in Portsmouth said that the committee would not be considering whether the certificate is valid until next week, because many officials were at the London Boat Show.

Robin Knox-Johnston, skipper of Condor, who protested that Tabarly's boat, Pen Duick, was incorrectly handicapped, is insisting that the certificate cannot be valid because of its keel, which is ballasted with uranium. "Uranium is not allowed under international yacht racing rules. So any certificate for a boat incorporating a uranium keel cannot be valid", he said.

The organizing committee have said that the matter may have to go before an international jury for a final decision.

Meanwhile, in the South Pacific the 15 yachts are now well over halfway to Cape Horn on the second leg from Auckland to Rio de Janeiro.

Emphatic victory puts Tolhurst into clear lead

Sydney, Jan 13.—Frank Tolhurst, of Australia, took a clear overall lead in the world E22 class championship when he won the third race in the series at Palm Beach here today. Tolhurst, the former 5.5 metre world champion, sailed Arunga II to a second successive victory by an emphatic margin of 1min 56sec ahead.

Two fellow Australians, Martin Visser and Graham Jones, were second and third. David Curtis, the defending champion of the United States, dropped out of contention when he finished 12th in Orient Express.

But three of his fellow Americans—Bob Sides, Mike Cuddy and Paty Malloy—came fifth, sixth and seventh places respectively. The race was a disappointment for Ben *Altman, of Britain, who finished* 18th in Calibre but was disqualified for a faulty start. The fourth race is scheduled for Sunday.

LEADING PLACES: 1, F. Tolhurst, Arunga II; 2, M. Visser, Thunderegg; 3, G. Jones, Breathing Heavy; 4, J. Savage, Gull II; 5, R. Sides (US), Verity; 6, M. Cuddy (US), Golly Gumdrops.—Reuter.

Boxing

Brother of Cokes is Conteh's new opponent

John Conteh, a former world light-heavyweight champion, will box Joe Cokes, younger brother of Curtis Cokes, a former world welterweight title holder, at the Sobell Centre, London, on February 7.

Conteh's opponent has been recommended by Angelo Dundee, the leading American trainer, Cokes, who has won both of his bouts in the last six months, comes from Wichita, Texas. He fills the gap left by the late withdrawal of Bobby Cassidy. The contest is over 10 rounds.

Bunny Johnson, the British light-heavyweight champion, faces David Conteh, from New York, over eight rounds.

European title match agreed

Rotterdam, Jan 13.—Rudi Koopmans, of the Netherlands, and the Italian title holder, Aldo Traversaro will meet in a European light-heavyweight title match here on February 7 if the European Boxing Union (EBU) agree, the promoters said today.

Harm Scheepbouwer, a spokesman for the promoters, said that Traversaro had agreed to sign the contract. "Koopmans has already signed the contract. All we need now is the go-ahead from the EBU", Mr Scheepbouwer said.—Reuter.

Gardner in title match with Aird

John L. Gardner (Hackney) has been nominated by the British Boxing Board of Control to meet Billy Aird (Liverpool) for the vacant heavyweight title. The contest must take place by April 29. Promoters have until February 13 to sign contracts.

Gardner earned his chance by stopping Denton Ruddock at the Albert Hall on December 6 in an eliminator for the British title. Aird has waited a long time for his chance. He should have challenged for the title last November, his bout being cancelled when Richard Dunn retired.

Ice hockey

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Boston Bruins 6, Los Angeles Kings 1; Cleveland Barons 6, Buffalo Sabres 3; Philadelphia Flyers 4, Pittsburgh Penguins 4; Montreal Canadiens 6, Detroit Red Wings 1.

Golf

PHOENIX: First round: 65: C. Knudson. 67: G. Archer, R. Funseth, L. Hinkle, W. Kratzert. 68: H. Green, L. Graham, M. Barber, A. Bean, J. Simons, M. Hill, R. Mann, G. McCord. 69: P. Oosterhuis (GB), A. Palmer. Other foreign scores: 70: R. Cole (SA). 72: K. Brown (GB). 73: R. Lazaros (Philippines). 79: A. Jacklin (GB).

Squash rackets

Young England team make excellent start

England, the defending champions, made a great start to the home squash internationals at Warrington last night, beating Wales 5—0 in both the men's and women's matches.

The English men's team contained three new caps, Gawain Briars, 19, John Le Lievre, 21, and Andy Dwyer, 21. Phil Kenyon, 21, played at number one in the absence of the captain, Jonathan Leslie, to make it the youngest side ever to represent England.

The newcomers all played impressively and won without dropping a game, as did Lesley Moore of Nottingham, who gained her first cap for the English women. Results:

MEN (English names first): P. Kenyon bt P. Wilson 9—2, 9—4, 10—9; G. Briars bt R. Dolman 9—0, 9—2, 9—1; S. Courtney bt D. Phillips 9—0, 9—2, 9—3; J. Le Lievre bt T. Carter 9—5, 9—5, 9—1; A. Dwyer bt P. Stokes 10—8, 9—2, 9—6.

WOMEN: S. Cogswell bt D. Murray 9—1, 9—2, 10—9; A. Smith bt J. Griffiths 9—6, 9—2, 9—0; T. Lawes bt B. Davies 9—4, 9—1, 9—1; L. Moore bt C. Rees 9—2, 9—0, 9—0; J. Ashton bt S. Washer 9—0, 9—0, 9—1.

Cycling

COPENHAGEN: Six-day race (after first night): 1, R. Pijnen (Netherlands) and G. Frank, 48 pts; 2, W. Peffgen and A. Fritz (W Germany), 3, minus one lap; 3, D. Clarke and D. Allan (Australia), 39.

Tennis

Borg and Tanner meet for place in last four

Birmingham, Alabama, Jan 13.—Bjorn Borg, beaten by Jimmy Connors in the final of the Masters tournament in New York on Sunday, moved into the quarter-final round of the grand prix tennis tournament here last night. Borg, the top seed, beat Cliff Drysdale, 15 years his senior, 7—5, 6—4, and now meets Roscoe Tanner, who beat a fellow American, Nick Saviano, 6—3, 6—2.

Vitas Gerulaitis, seeded No 3, will meet Raul Ramirez after an easy win over Frew McMillan, 6—4, 6—2. Ramirez had a much harder match against Wojtek Fibak, being forced into a long tie-breaker in the first set which went to 13—11.

Ramirez then lost the second set but eventually won, 7—6, 3—6, 6—2. The other quarter-final matches will be all-American. Terry Moor, who beat Ilie Nastase in the second round, faces Eddie Dibbs and Dick Stockton plays Brian Gottfried.—Reuter.

Tennis

HOLLYWOOD (Florida): Miss T. Austin beat Miss F. Mihai (Romania); 6—1, 6—2; Mrs E. Cawley (Australia) beat Miss Z. Lief, 7—5, 7—5; Miss M. Redondo beat Miss R. Tomanova (Czechoslovakia), 6—3, 2—6, 6—1.

SAN CARLOS (California): Miss L. Hunt (Australia) beat Miss M. Simionescu (Romania), 1—6, 6—3, 6—1; Miss R. Gerulaitis beat Miss V. Ziegenfuss, 6—1, 4—6, 6—1.

Table tennis



Carole Knight: best performance of her career.

English hopes fade in semi-final rounds

By Richard Streeton

Carole Knight, aged 20, of Middlesborough, produced some of the finest table tennis of her career at Brighton yesterday before being beaten in the semi-final round of the English open championships, sponsored by Norwich Union. Miss Knight was eliminated by a Yugoslav, Erzebet Palatinus, who won 22—24, 21—18, 21—11, 21—14.

Miss Palatinus lost the first game in an exchange of free hitting and spin variations which promised an enthralling contest. The longer the match progressed, the more the unforced errors crept into Miss Knight's play. The Yugoslav, patiently, worked away like the proverbial rabbit in the burrow at Miss Knight's backhand. Unable to position herself for her favourite forehand, Miss Knight struggled in the later stages and was seldom allowed to dictate matters. The other women's finalist will be Chu Hsiang-Yun, who beat her younger compatriot, Ho Tse-Ping, 21—19, 19—21, 21—11, 21—14.

Miss Knight, who won the title last year in a weakish field, had earlier scaled the heights, however, whe she won in five hard games against Wei Li-Chieh, of China, during which he ferocious topspin and aggression were *always important factors. The fifth* game produced a memorable rally when Miss Knight successfully retrieved 17 consecutive smashes from her opponent before the Chinese hit off the table.

Miss Knight had been leading 14—10 and went on to win comfortably. Overall these championships have confirmed that Miss Knight is on the threshold of usurping her friend and rival, Jill Hammersley, as the leading English women's player. Mrs Hammersley, riddled by uncertainty and mistakes, did not get past the second round.

The men's final will be all Chinese. There was no question of "friendship first, competition second" in either of the exhilarating matches that produced Li Chen-Shih and Teng Yi as the men's finalists. Li, ranked No 14 in the world, spared Desmond Douglas, the England No 1, nothing as he won 21—15, 21—11, 21—18. Li was occasionally careless, which meant that, on the *surface, it was a less convincing* success than it could have been.

The left-handed Douglas bravely smashed and varied his length but Li was always faster and was seldom caught out of position.

If nationalistic issues are put to one side, Teng's win by 22—20, 21—13, 21—15 over his compatriot Wang Tuei-Yuan was more fascinating. Teng, the Chinese junior champion, is only 15 and *his ability has clearly singled him* out to carry the torch for future world dominance

Yesterday's results at Brighton

Men's singles

FIRST ROUND: M. Orlowski (Czechoslovakia) beat A. Vlieg (Netherlands), 21—17, 21—8, 21—14; J. Nagase (Japan) beat A. Sandley, 21—16, 20—22, 21—15, 21—23, 21—10; S. Heaps wo S. Dryszoll (Poland), scr; N. Jarvis beat R. Yule, 21—18, 21—12, 22—20; D. Weishman beat K. Palmer (NZ), 21—12, 21—11, 21—11; K. Koyama (Japan) beat L. Eadie, 13—21, 21—18, 21—17, 21—16; Wang Hui-Yuan (China) beat P. Hunt, 21—14, 21—18, 21—9; P. E. Day beat R. Tuckett (Australia), 19—21, 21—13, 21—16, 21—8; R. Potton wo Lee Dai-Joon (US), scr; J. Juhas (Yugoslavia) beat D. Newman, 21—14, 21—9, 21—19.

N. van Slobbe (Netherlands) beat T. Hasegaka (Japan), 22—20, 21—8, 19—21, 13—21, 21—18; P. McQueen beat A. Griffiths, 21—15, 20—22, 9—21, 21—13, 21—17; Teng Yi (China) beat P. Bowen, 21—12, 21—17, 21—14; R. Hatem (France) beat J. T. Dabin, 21—18, 21—10, 21—10; C. Slevin beat G. Chapman, 21—17, 16—21, 21—14, 21—18; D. Douglas beat P. Renverse (France), 21—11, 21—12, 21—12; G. Davies beat K. Kenn, 18—21, 21—12, 21—6, 21—11; Chen Hsin Hua (China) beat M. Francis, 21—14, 21—10, 21—12.

N. A. S. Eckersley beat G. Germain (Canada), 21—16, 21—14, 21—16; D. Reeves beat M. Kinsella, 21—6, 18—21, 21—14, 14—21, 21—18; M. Karakasevic (Yugoslavia) beat J. Hilton, 21—12, 24—22, 21—13; J. Dvoracek (Czechoslovakia) beat D. Constance, 21—9, 20—22, 21—17, 21—12; M. Crimmins wo L. Kucharski (Poland), scr; B. Parietti (France) beat R. E. Lee (NZ), 25—23, 21—18, 21—16.

J. Walker beat R. D. Harsham, 21—6, 21—13, 21—18; H. Gootzen (Netherlands) beat J. McNee, 14—21, 23—21, 21—17, 17—21, 21—18; K. Nakamura (Japan) beat P. Ovcarik (Czechoslovakia), 21—10, 21—16, 21—15; K. Jackson beat A. Barden, 21—18, 21—17, 22—20; D. Johnson beat C. R. Danner (US), 21—12, 21—10, 21—12; B. van der Helm (Netherlands) beat K. Yamayoshi (Japan), 21—14, 13—21, 16—21, 21—18, 23—21; Li Chen-Shih (China) beat R. Javor (Australia), 21—13, 21—14, 21—15.

SECOND ROUND: Orlowski beat Nagase, 21—15, 18—21, 21—16, 21—16; Z. Kalinic (Yugoslavia) beat Heaps, 21—14, 21—18, 14—21, 21—16; Jarvis beat Weisman, 21—8, 21—15, 21—9; Wang beat Koyhama, 21—18, 21—11, 17—21, 21—12; van Slobbe beat Day, 21—9, 12—21, 21—11, 21—14; Teng beat McQueen, 21—5, 21—17, 21—12; Potton beat Hatem, 21—14, 21—16, 21—19; Chen beat Eckersley, 21—18, 21—16, 21—10; Parietti beat Jackson, 12—21, 21—14, 21—15, 21—17.

Juhas beat Slevin, 22—20, 21—10, 21—9; Douglas beat Davies, 21—15, 21—9, 21—8; Walker beat Reeves, 19—21, 21—9, 21—16, 21—15; Nakamura beat Gootzen, 21—10, 21—17, 21—17; Dvoracek beat Karakasevic, 16—21, 21—17, 21—16, 21—13; Li beat van der Helm, 21—17, 21—13, 21—14; Crimmins beat Johnson, 21—6, 21—17, 22—20.

THIRD ROUND: Kalinic beat Orlowski, 25—23, 21—11, 15—21, 21—12, 18—21, 21—12; Teng beat van Slobbe, 21—10, 21—15, 21—8; Juhas beat Potton, 21—9, 19—21, 21—15, 23—21; Douglas beat Chen, 21—14, 19—21, 21—18, 21—19; Walker beat Nakamura, 21—15, 22—24, 13—21, 21—19, 21—14; Dvoracek beat Parietti, 17—21, 21—11, 21—15, 21—19; Li beat Crimmins, 21—17, 21—13, 21—8.

FOURTH ROUND: Wang beat Kalinic, 21—14, 21—10, 21—17; Teng beat Juhas, 25—27, 21—7, 15—21, 21—13; Douglas beat Walker, 21—13, 21—18, 21—9; Li beat Dvoracek, 22—20, 13—21, 21—17, 21—15.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND: Teng beat Wang, 22—20, 21—13, 21—15; Li beat Douglas, 21—15, 21—11, 21—18.

Women's singles

First round: Chu Hsaing-Yun (China), beat K. Witt, 21—8, 21—9, 21—15; G. Perkucin (Yugoslavia) beat A. Mitchell, 22—20, 21—8, 18—21, 21—19; Ho Tse-Ping (China) beat K. Rodgers, 21—9, 21—9, 21—8; T. Takahashi (Japan) wo W. Sikora (Poland), scr; J. Hammersley beat M. Smith, 21—12, 21—9, 21—8; E. Palatinus (Yugoslavia) beat J. Hoshino (Japan), 21—17, 21—12, 21—17; C. Germain (France) wo Lee Ho-Ja (US), scr.

Yu Chin-Chia (China) beat V. van Ryswyck (Netherlands), 21—16, 21—8, 21—13; S. de Kruiff (Netherlands) wo J. Szatko (Poland), scr; Wei Li-Chieh (China) beat B. Plucas (Canada), 21—10, 21—7, 21—9; K. Komuro (Japan) beat N. Daviaud (France), 21—18, 21—13, 20—22, 14—21, 21—19; B. Vriesekoop (Netherlands) beat A. Grofova (Czechoslovakia), 21—14, 21—19, 21—13; L. Howard beat Y. Veno (Japan), 21—11, 21—15, 21—14; C. Knight beat M. Shimada (Japan), 8—21, 12—21, 21—14, 21—9, 21—16; I. Uhlikova (Czechoslovakia) beat M. Ludi, 21—10, 21—14, 21—15.

SECOND ROUND: Chu beat Perkucin, 21—12, 17—21, 21—15, 21—8; Komuro beat Senior, 21—18, 21—16, 20—22, 21—16; Ho beat Vriesekoop, 21—16, 21—15, 21—17; Takahashi beat Hammersley, 16—21, 24—22, 21—16, 11—21, 21—19; Palatinus beat Germain, 21—10, 21—17, 21—9; Yu beat Howard, 21—17, 21—19, 21—13; Knight beat de Kruiff, 18—21, 21—9, 21—12, 21—17; Wei beat Uhlikova, 21—7, 21—10, 21—13.

THIRD ROUND: Chu beat Komuru, 16—21, 21—18, 21—15, 21—9; Ho beat Takahashi, 21—13, 21—12, 21—19; Palatinus beat Yu, 20—22, 21—17, 17—21, 21—13, 21—17; Knight beat Wei, 21—17, 16—21, 21—12, 22—24, 21—13.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND: Chu beat Ho, 21—19, 19—21, 21—11, 21—14; Lalatinus beat Knight, 22—24, 21—18, 21—11, 21—14.

Football

Clough returns to old home with a new, more versatile family

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent

Brian Clough, returning today to Derby County with Nottingham Forest who he has taken 12 points and nine places above his former champions, once remarked that *in his teams he wanted an accumulation* of everything that made the world tick. "You name it, I want it. As long as we don't get one type," he said, and though this was in the days when he commented on everything from "cloggers" to politics, to judge by his latest products the view holds good.

Five years ago he drew the line at "*savage players*" but admitted bending it round the "talented clogger" whose strength could be valuable if skill was present. Certainly the Forest team cannot be considered to fit a recognized "type", which could be why the simplicity of their success is not widely understood.

If pressed, those players who were at Derby and have followed Mr Clough and Peter Taylor to Forest *will say that the present* team are not yet in the class of the Derby championship winning side of 1972. The upheavals since Mr Clough's departure in 1973 have led to many changes at the Baseball Ground, especially recently under Tommy Docherty, who would admit to having some way to go before being satisfied. Even so, today's match has a special edge, though Mr Clough denies it. The teams last met in August at Nottingham when Forest won 3—0.

Even in the past few days Mr Docherty has spent £166,000 on improving the Derby defence which has suffered from uncertainty over McFarland who has had a succession of leg injuries. He has not overcome difficulties in that area of the team, unlike Forest, who, in similar trouble, quietly signed Needham from Queen's Park Rangers. It is not yet certain whether Powell or Daniel will be today's central defender. It is known, however, that the newcomer, Buckley, from Luton Town, will be one of the full backs.

Two former Derby players, McGovern and Gemmill, will be returning with Forest and Mr Clough makes his familiar statement that the team will be *unchanged. In the circumstances,* the more settled and further advanced Forest should retain their five point lead over Everton who play Aston Villa, the club they so capably dismissed from the FA Cup.

Liverpool's elimination from the cup leaves them attempting to retain the championship title with a foundering team. Their purchase of the Middlesbrough midfield player, Souness, was undoubtedly a sound decision, but on recent evidence it is the defence that needs attention. Liverpool go to West Bromwich Albion not knowing whether Jones has recovered from a knee injury. If necessary Hughes will again move to full back.

In trying to play down the personal importance of the game at Derby, Mr Clough yesterday mentioned that if anything next Saturday's match with Arsenal was more significant. Arsenal could expect no higher compliment. Today they have a special reason for hoping to beat Wolverhampton Wanderers at Highbury because this is the team they must face in the fourth round of the FA Cup.

Arsenal have been given confidence through stability. In eight of their last nine matches they have been unchanged. How different from poor Leicester City, bottom of the table and still struggling with injuries. Davies, Hughes and Weller are unable to play at Bristol City. Frank McLintock, their inexperienced manager, sounded disillusioned: "Everything seems against me

Talks likely on McQueen

Manchester United could open talks with Leeds United for Scotland's centre half, Gordon McQueen, when the Manchester side return from Ipswich this weekend. Dave Sexton, their manager, said: "There will be no transfer activity from here until after the weekend, and even if there was I am not prepared to *say who I am interested in or when*".

The club chairman, Louis Edwards, said: "I shall be talking to Dave about McQueen, but there is no rush. Our fans deserve the best and we can afford the big fee. But we also have a duty not to throw money away".

Mr Sexton quashed rumours that he could offer Brian Greenhoff, and a financial adjustment, to obtain McQueen. "Brian Greenhoff is a valuable member of my first team squad, and I don't want him to leave Old Trafford", he said.

Manchester United paid Leeds United £350,00 for Joe Jordan last week. McQueen's fee could be over £400,000.

Yesterday's results

Third division

Colchester (1) 1		Gillingham (0) 0	
Gough		Wacker	
6,447			

Fourth division

Southend (0) 0		Reading (1) 1	
6,215		Kearns (2)	
Watford (0) 1		Stockport (0) 0	
Garner		12,754	

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: First division north: Cambridge City v King's Lynn postponed.

RUGBY LEAGUE: First division Castleford 21, Hull Kingston Rovers 2

Rugby Union

Colclough joins the England party

By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent

Maurice Colclough, the lock foward who had such a good match against Nigel Horton in the England trial last week, has been added to the list of travelling reserves for the international against France at Paris next Saturday. He missed England's training last Sunday morning, having been released to play in an important game for his French club, Angouleme. But, freed by them, he was able to join the England party that gathered at Bisham Abbey last evening for two further days of preparation.

Tony Neary, England's reserve flanker for Paris, has gone down *with influenza and his place* at Bisham Abbey has gone to Bob Mordell, of Rosslyn Park. Fran Cotton, who missed last week's trial with a calf injury, and the new full back, David Caplan, who retired during the course of it with a minor back strain, have both reported fit for training.

The significance of Colclough's presence will not be lost on Nigel Horton, whose form in the trial gave little hint that he is capable of scaling against France at Paris the heights he achieved against them at Twickenham last February. That performance surely was the high point of his career. But since then, of course, he has taken up a new life and a new job in Toulouse that involves long and demanding hours standing behind the counter of his bar in the city centre. However, he is realistic enough to appraise his state of perparation and, as I suggested earlier this week, we must hope that since the trial he has been able to relax his working routine *sufficiently* to bring him fresh to the post at Parc des Princes.

The England full back Alastair Hignell was due to play for Bristol at Coundon Road this afternoon but after testing his hamstring he told the club he did not feel fit enough. The Coventry side are bereft of some notable performers. Geoffrey Evans, who has been out with a hamstring for five weeks—and so missed the regional and divisional matches, as well as the England trial—Peter Rossborough and Peter Preece (the last two having been injured in the game against Moseley on Boxing Day) are all working their way back to full fitness at top club level. This will be much to the liking of the Yorkshire club, Selby, who now face this trio in the colours of Coventry Extra First XV.

Martin Cooper, deposed as England's stand-off half, is on the wing for Moseley against Northampton at the Reddings. He played a few games in that position earlier this season, but now the club stand-off is Leslie Cusworth, who followed up his sparkling performance for North Midlands in the county final with, it is reliably reported, another such against Llanelli. If the England trial system were to start now, there is not much doubt that Cusworth would be a strong candidate for one of the *stand-off positions in the first* trial.

London Scottish have been forced to make two late changes for their match against Rosslyn Park at Richmond Athletic Ground. A neck injury to David Fairbairn, a prop, enables a South African, Douglas Mather, a former Western Province player, to make his first senior appearance. Sandy Pratt, a flanker, who played in last week's Scottish trial, has a thumb injury and Angus Stewart switches to wing forward with William Goodenough coming in at No 8.

But Scottish, who have lost only three games, are reinforced by the return of internationals Ronald Wilson, Alan Friell, Michael Biggar, and Alistair McHarg.

Rosslyn Park, who drew 0—0 with Scottish in a London merit table match earlier this season, are without their skipper and hooker, Philip Keith-Roach. L. Smith will hook and the England discard, Andrew Ripley, takes over the captaincy.

There is no longer any place to hide

By Peter Walker

Cup rugby, if it is about anything at all, is all about survival. Today's third round WRU Challenge Cup matches probably mean the exodus of the four remaining smaller clubs, because reaching the last 16 means that there is no longer any place to hide. Not that they will go down without a blow being struck—though this should be taken metaphorically in the light of the experience from the first round matches, when eight players were sent off!

Abercynon, a small mining village a few miles north of Pontypridd, have the awesome task of trying to beat the cup holders, Newport, at Rodney Parade. However, the junior club are full of confidence and have even chartered a train to take 750 of their supporters to the game.

Bedwas, whose ground lies just outside the huge shadow of Caerphilly Castle, look on paper to have the best chance of survival. They have a home tie against Cross Keys, whose form this season makes them as vulnerable as Goliath when he faced David all those centuries ago.

The gates of the public park in Pontypool will be closed some hours before the start of the Pontypool-Cardiff encounter in order to tighten up security to prevent non-payers from getting in to see the most important game of the third round.

Over 20,000 people watched these same teams battle out a 10—10 draw in the competition last season: Cardiff went through by virtue of having scored two tries to one, only to lose by one point in the final to Newport. Pontypool have all four of their British Lions playing in the pack, but Cardiff, who top the unofficial Welsh championship table, have two potential match winners outside the scrum, Gareth Edwards and Gerald Davies.

History repeats itself, too, at Aberavon, where Bridgend are the visitors; last year an Aberavon player was sent off, but since the cup committee's stern warning after the season's first four punch-ups, all is expected to be sweetness and light. Swansea should carry too much all-round strength for Newbridge at St Helens, and Llanelli, who made the cup their own from 1973-6 will inevitably swamp the talented but in rugby terms, undersized Brynamman at Stradey Park.

Cwmgwrach are having to play their home side at the neighbouring Glynneath ground because their mountain-side pitch has severe drainage problems, a factor which should tilt the scales in Pontypridd's favour. Neath at home to Ebbw Vale, remains a the most difficult of all the eight matches to forecast, but ground advantage may well just swing in Neath's way.

Weekend fixtures

Kick-off 3.0 unless stated

First division

Arsenal v Wolverhampton
Birmingham v Leeds
Bristol City v Leicester
Coventry v Chelsea
Derby v Nottingham F
Everton v Aston Villa
Ipswich v Manchester Utd
Manchester City v West Ham Utd
Newcastle v Middlesbrough
QP Rangers v Norwich
West Bromwich v Liverpool

Scottish Cup second round replay

Cowdenbeath v Peterhead

Scottish premier division

Aberdeen v Celtic
Motherwell v Ayr
Partick Thistle v Hibernian
St Mirren v Rangers

ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Alton v Uxbridge (2.15); Chertsey v Windsor and Eton (2.15); Harefield v Marlow; Kingsbury v Erith and Belvedere (2.15); Ruislip Manor v Redhill (3.15). Cup: Third round: Billericay v Hoddesdon; Chalfont St Peter v Burnham (2.0); Grays Athletic v Edgware; Haringey v Leyton Wingate.

Hockey

LONDON LEAGUE: Cheam v Wimbledon; Dulwich v Hampstead; Guildford v Mid-Surrey; Maidenhead v St Albans; Old Kingstonians v Bromley; Oxford University v Blackheath; Purley v Beckenham; Richmond v Cambridge University; Slough v Surbiton; Southgate v Teddington.

OTHER MATCHES: Gravesend v London University; Hounslow v Polytechnic; Sevenoaks v Gore Court; Trojans v Oxford Hawks.

SIX-NATIONS INDOOR TOURNAMENT: Second day (at Crystal Palace, 2.30).

Cross-country

Beryl Davis Trophy (at Sidcup); Chiltern League (at Feltham); Chingford League (at Walthamstow); Essex League (at Harlow); Hampshire League (at Leet); Metropolitan League (at Woodford).

Second division

Blackpool v Charlton
Burnley v Stoke
Cardiff v Blackburn (2.45)
Fulham v Bristol Rovers
Hull City v Crystal Palace
Luton v Oldham
Mansfield v Southampton
Millwall v Brighton
Notts County v Tottenham H
Orient v Sunderland
Sheffield Utd v Bolton

Scottish first division

Airdrie v Dumbarton
Dundee v Alloa
Hearts v Queen of South
Kilmarnock v Hamilton
Montrose v East Fife
Morton v Stirling Albion
St Johnstone v Arbroath

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Hayes v Borehamwood; Kingstonian v Bishop's Stortford; Leytonstone p Croydon, Southall and E B. v Carshalton Athletic. First division: Aveley v Hertford Town; Bromley v *Maidenhead United; Chesham United v* Ilford; Clapton v St Albans City; Finchley v Oxford City; Harwich and Parkeston v Walton and Hersham; Hornchurch p Dulwich Hamlet; Ware v Horsham; Wokingham Town v Corinthian-Casuals.

Lacrosse

NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Boardman & Eccles v Stockport, Heaton Mersey v Old Stopfordians; Mellor v Ashton; Sheffield University v Cheadle; South Manchester & Wythenshawe v Old Hulmeians; Urmston v Old Waconians.

SOUTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Bexleyheath v London University; Croydon v Lee; Kenton v Hampstead.

WOMEN'S MATCHES: Blackheath v Blackheath HS; Dartford v Harpenden; Epsom & Ewell v Guildford; Hatch End v London University; Walthamstow Hall v Beckenham; Watford v Barnet & Enfield; West London v ULUA II; Windsor Wanderers v Southampton.

Third division

Cambridge Utd v Bradford City
Carlisle v Tranmere
Chesterfield v Port Vale (3.15)
Exeter v Walsall
Hereford v Chester
Lincoln v Bury
Portsmouth v Peterborough
Preston NE v Plymouth
Rotherham v Oxford Utd
Swindon v Sheffield Wednesday
Wrexham v Shrewsbury

Scottish second division

Clyde v Forfar
Dunfermline v Brechin
E Stirlingshire v Albion Rovers
Falkirk v Stranraer
Meadowbank v Stenhousemuir
Raith Rovers v Berwick

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Bath v A P Leamington; Barnet v Redditch; Hastings v Telford; Wealdstone v Dover. First division (North): Barry v Dunstable; Enderby v Witney Tn; Kidderminster v Milton Keynes; Oswestry v Hedworth; Stourbridge v Gloucester; Tamworth v Corby. South: Addlestone v Aylesbury; Basingstoke v Ashford; Canterbury v Andover; *Folkestone Shep v Dorchester*; Hounslow v Chelmsford; Margate v Taunton; Tonbridge v Poole; Trowbridge v Waterlooville.

Fourth division

Aldershot v York City
Bournemouth v Crewe
Darlington v Grimsby
Halifax v Wimbledon
Newport v Doncaster (3.15)
Northampton v Brentford
Rochdale v Barnsley
Scunthorpe v Southport (3.15)
Swansea v Huddersfield
Torquay v Hartlepool

FA TROPHY: First round: Ashton Utd v Wigan Ath; Banbury v Leatherhead; Bedford v Hillingdon; Boston Utd v Worcester; Bridgend v Wycombe Wdrs; Cheltenham v Hednesford Tn; Consett v Lancaster; Crook Tn v Blyth Spartans; Dartford v Sutton Utd; Dudley Tn v Atherstone (2.0); Enfield v Staines Tn; Falmouth v Minehead; Frickley v Morecambe; Goole v Tow *Law Tn (2.15); Great Harwood v* Whitby Tn; Harrow Borough v Dagenham; Maidstone v Slough Tn; Marine v Chorley; Matlock v Burton; Merthyr T v Hitchin Tn (2.15); Nuneaton v Grantham; Romford v Hendon (at Dagenham); Scarborough v Bangor City; Spennymoor v Gainsborough; Stafford Rngrs v Bromsgrove; Tooting & M v Cambridge City; Walthamstow v Yeovil; Willington v Runcorn; Winsford v Northwich Victoria; Woking v Gravesend; Workington v Altrincham.

ARTHUR DUNN CUP: First round: Old Bradfieldians v Old Aldenhamians (2.0).

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Barrow v Mossley; Buxton v Worksop; Gateshead v Sth Liverpool; Macclesfield v Netherfield.

Rugby Union

WELSH CUP (Third Round)
Aberavon v Bridgend
Bedwas v Cross Keys (2.0)
Cwmgwrach v Pontypridd (2.30)
Llanelli v Brynamman
Neath v Ebbw Vale (3.15)
Newport v Abercynon (3.15)
Pontypool v Cardiff
Swansea v Newbridge

CLUB MATCHES
Birmingham v Penarth (2.30)
Broughton Pk v Waterloo (2.30)
Coventry v Bristol
Exeter v Clifton (2.30)
Glasgow Acads v Gosforth (2.30)
Gloucester v Leicester
Halifax v Bradford (2.30)
Harlequins v Blackheath (at Stoop Memorial Ground, 2.30)
Harrogate v Liverpool (2.30)
Hull and E.R. v Tynedale (2.30)
London Irish v Army (2.30)
London Scottish v Rosslyn Park (2.30)
London Welsh v Bath (2.15)
Manchester v Headingley (2.30)
Metro Police v Cheltenham (2.30)
Moseley v Northampton
New Brighton v Wilmslow
Nuneaton v Fylde
Orrell v Gala (2.30)
Otley v Roundhay (2.30)
Sale v Bedford
Saracens v Richmond (2.30)
Sth Wales Police v Maesteg (2.30)
US Portsmouth v Nottingham (2.30)
Wakefield v Birkenhead Park (2.30)
Wasps v Plymouth Albion (2.30)
West Hartlepool v Rugby (2.15)
Boroughmuir v West of Scotland (2.30)
Hawick v Melrose (2.30)
Heriots FP v Hillhead (2.30)
Highland v Edinburgh Acads (2.30)
Kilmarnock v Kelso (2.30)
Stewarts Mel FP v Edinburgh Wdrs (2.30)
Watsonians v Edinburgh Univ (2.30)

RUGBY LEAGUE
FIRST DIVISION: Leeds v Workington Town (2.15)

Television highlights

BBC 1
Football: Preview (12.20)
Racing: Ascot races at 1.0, 1.35, 2.10, 2.40.
Boxing: World light-heavyweight championship (1.45).
Hockey: Six-nations tournament, Crystal Palace (2.30, 4.20).
Table tennis: English Open (2.50, 3.50).
Football: World Cup draw (about 10.0); Match of the Day about 10.10).

BBC 2
Bowls: Indoor tournament, Coatbridge (6.0).

BBC 2 — tomorrow
Skiing: World Cup, Wengen (4.15).
Rugby Union: Hawick v Melrose (5.40).

IBA
Football: Preview (12.35).
Racing: Warwick races at 1.30, 2.0, 2.30, 3.0; Newcastle races at 1.45, 2.15, 2.45.
Wrestling: Croydon promotion (4.0).
Football: World Cup draw (about 10.0).

IBA — tomorrow
Football: Big Match (2.15).

Tomorrow

Rugby League

EUROPEAN TOURNAMENT: Wales v France (at Widnes).

FIRST DIVISION: Hull v Featherstone Rovers; New Hunslet v Wakefield Trinity (3.30); Warrington v Bramley.

SECOND DIVISION: Blackpool B v Batley (2.30); Halifax v Doncaster (3.30); Huyton v Huddersfield (3.30); Oldham v Keighley (3.30); Rochdale H v Barrow (3.30); Swinton v York; Whitehaven v Leigh.

Hockey

SIX-NATIONS INDOOR TOURNAMENT: Third day (Crystal Palace, 0.0 am).

Golf

Southfield v Oxford University; Sandy Lodge v Cambridge University Outlaws.

Cross-country

Aldershot Relays.

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SPORT

Motor racing

Hunt's record goes but Watson is not to be overshadowed

Buenos Aires, Jan 13.—Carlos Reutemann, of Argentina, driving a Ferrari 312T2, established the best time today in two time trials for this weekend's Argentine Grand Prix. A third and final time trial is scheduled for tomorrow. The race proper, the first of this season's grands prix, will be run on Sunday.

Reutemann recorded the best time this morning. Other drivers were unable to match it in the afternoon. His 1min 47.84sec for the 5,968-metre circuit beat the record set by James Hunt, of Britain. The second-best time was recorded by John Watson, of Northern Ireland, driving a Brabham. He registered 1min 48.42sec.

Mario Andretti, of the United States, driving a Lotus, was third with 1min 48.44sec. He had been last in the morning run because of a faulty fuel injector, but made it up in the afternoon. Fourth was Niki Lauda, of Austria, the world champion, also in a Brabham, with 1min 48.70sec. Ronnie Peterson, of Sweden, driving a Lotus, was fifth with 1min 48.87sec.

Vitorio Brambilla, of Italy, ran off the track into a guard rail, destroying his Surtees TS19. He was unhurt and walked from his car to the pit. The accident caused a temporary suspension of practice. The engine of Patrick Tambay's McLaren M26 exploded. Tambay, of France, was uninjured.

Divina Galica, of Britain, the only woman entered in the race, said that "an experiment" caused her machine to spin out while entering a corner at 140 miles an hour during a run yesterday. She lost control of her Hesketh Racing 308E and slapped into a watch tower along the track. She was not injured.

The spin-out bent the Hesketh's left front wheel and dented the body of the car. The team's mechanics changed the chassis and Miss Galica said she would be back in action today. "My idea was to run the car stiff", she said, referring to the car's suspension. "As I entered the corner it started to hop and kick to the left while I wanted to go right. Then the back broke away."

Miss Galica said she usually runs the car "soft" and was just experimenting to see how it would run with a tight suspension. She said she would run the car "soft" during the time trials and the race proper.

Miss Galica's was one of the slowest times this morning. Since 28 drivers have entered the grand prix, and only 24 can line up on Sunday, it seems doubtful if she will be there when the flag goes down. Her time of 2:00.85 was better only than those of Mario Andretti, of the United States, in a Lotus, and Patrick Depailler, of France, in a Tyrrell, both of whom had mechanical problems. They were expected to improve.—Agencies.

FIRST PRACTICE TIMES: 1, C. Reutemann (Argentina), Ferrari, 1min 47.84sec; 2, N. Lauda (Austria), Brabham, 1:48.70; 3, J. Watson (GB), Brabham, 1:49.08; 4, R. Peterson (Sweden), JPS Mark, 1:49.17; 5, J. Hunt (GB), McLaren, 1:49.19; 6, G. Villeneuve (Canada), Ferrari, 1:49.58; 7, V. Brambilla (Italy), Surtees, 1:49.90; 8, J. Mass (West Germany), ATS-1, 1:50.06; 9, A. Jones (Australia), Saudia Williams, 1:50.11; 10, J. Laffite (France), Ligier Matra, 1:50.16; 11, C. Regazzoni (Switzerland), Shadow, 1:50.58; 12, J. Scheckter (South Africa), Wolf Ford, 1:50.67; 13, J.-P. Jarier (France), March, 1:50.75; 14, E. Fittipaldi (Brazil), Fittipaldi, 1:50.82; 15, A. Merzario (Italy), March, 1:51.68; 16, P. Tambay (France), McLaren, 1:51.71; 17, H. Stuck (West Germany), Shadow, 1:51.86; 18, L. Leoni (Italy), Ensign, 1:51.94; 19, H. Rebaque (Mexico), Lotus 78, 1:52.88; 20, D. Ongais (US), McLaren, 1:52.99; 21, R. Keegan (GB), Surtees, 1:52.99; 22, E. Cheever (US), TR-1, 1:53.35; 23, D. Pironi (France), Tyrrell, 1:59.95; 24, Miss D. Galica (GB), Hesketh, 2:00.88; 25, P. Depailler (France), Tyrrell, 2:14.20; 26, M. Andretti (US), Lotus, 2:25.70.—Agencies.

Racing

Artifice's art should not suffice at Ascot

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

If the long-range betting is a reliable guide, the Blue Circle Cement Steeplechase will be won by Artifice at Ascot today. It is understandable why this good young horse has so many admirers and why he is likely to start favourite this afternoon. Artifice has won twice at Ascot this season, and he did not put a foot wrong on either occasion. First he won the Black and White Whisky Gold Cup in November by outpacing that consistent horse, Kilbroney, in the straight: then he returned to the course a month later to win the Killiney Steeplechase by 15 lengths from Samuel Pepys, who went on to win his next race at Newbury.

But there is a world of difference between races confined to novices and open handicaps for seasoned campaigners such as this, and while conceding that Artifice is an exciting recruit to steeplechasing, and that he is entitled to support this afternoon, I cannot help wondering whether even he will beat Grangewood Girl, who has also excelled at Ascot in the past. Ann Finch's mare won today's race 12 months ago, and she also won the Heinz Steeplechase at Ascot towards the end of the previous season.

But the performance that stands out in my mind as far as Grangewood Girl is concerned was her brave effort at Cheltenham last March when she was beaten only a neck in the National Hunt Two-Mile Champion Steeplechase by the champion, Skymas.

Both in that race and in last year's race Grangewood Girl finished a long way in front of Early Spring, and I expect her to do so again this afternoon. At her best, Grangewood Girl could easily be too good for Artifice on today's terms, and I was led to believe yesterday that she is in fine fettle. On Boxing Day, Grangewood Girl blatantly failed to last the distance of the King George VI Steeplechase, yet she ran well all the same until her stamina gave out. Before that she failed by only a short head to give Tree Tangle 5lb over two miles at Sandown Park, and there is no doubt that that was a good performance because Tree Tangle is notoriously hard to beat on his day, as he proved last season when he was too good for even Border Incident on one occasion at Ascot.

Neville Crump has decided to run Cancello at Ascot instead of at Newcastle, but he makes no secret of the fact that deep down he believes that his horse, who won the Mackeson Gold Cup two seasons ago, still needs another race before he is seen at his best again following his long lay-off. Crump is hoping that today's race will put Cancello right for the Yorkshire Steeplechase at Doncaster later this month. Whatever his luck in the big race, Crump is certain that Even Melody will give his backers a good run in the Jock Scott Handicap Steeplechase.

At Cheltenham in December, Crump told Hawkins to hold Even Melody up as long as possible and not to challenge the leader until after they had jumped the last fence. Hawkins carried out his instructions immaculately, and Even Melody did the rest, quickening decisively on the run-in to beat Uncle Bing, who went on to run well in his next race at Kempton Park.

With Commandant, Sycamore and Discount Market all in the field, Hawkins should get the sort of lead he will be praying for again this afternoon, so that he can adopt similar tactics to those he employed so skilfully at Cheltenham. And if everything does go according to plan, Even Melody should be too good for them when the race comes to the boil even with 11st 11lb on his back. Commandant beat Sycamore by two lengths and a half at Sandown Park recently, but theoretically Sycamore should beat him this time on 9lb better terms whatever else he manages to achieve.

Straight Row won the Thunder and Lightning Steeplechase at Ascot yesterday in the manner generally expected of him. Although not cast in the mould of many of the Dreaper horses of old—he looks on the small side for steeplechasing—Straight Row jumped with the same fluency. He will be hard to beat in the Arkle Challenge Trophy at Cheltenham where his young trainer intends having three other runners: Brown Lad, Batlyross and Fish Quiz. Partnering Nagiri in Straight Row's race, Martin O'Halloran had a heavy fall and suffered concussion. As a result, he will be out of action for a week.

Because of his fall, O'Halloran missed another winning ride for Peter Cundell on Coolishall, who won the Green Highlander Handicap Steeplechase by a neck from Master Spy. In my opinion Coolishall was lucky to win because Master Spy completely misjudged the last fence when he was still full of running. Like Bachelor's Hall, Coolishall is owned by Mr and Mrs Peter Harris, who are in the enviable position of having horses good enough to carry their colours in both the Gold Cup at Cheltenham and the Grand National this year.

John Francombe deputized for O'Halloran on Coolishall, and he also won the first division of the Silver Doctor Novices' Hurdle on Ruby Wine. Francome hoped to win the second division as well on Killwarren, but finished only fourth behind Explorateur. After Nice To See You had won the Hairy Mary Handicap Hurdle, I congratulated his trainer David Gandolfo, on what was his twenty-seventh success of the season. Gandolfo replied: "Don't congratulate me, you've got to give all the credit to the jockey." To be fair, Nice To See You's jockey, Paul Barton, did ride a beautifully-judged race.

STATE OF GOING (official): Ascot: Good. Newcastle: Soft. Warwick: Soft (7.15 inspection). Tomorrow: Chepstow: Soft. Wolverhampton: Good.



Ruby Wine, ridden by John Francome, sails over the last hurdle to win the first division of the Silver Doctor Novices Hurdle at Ascot yesterday.

Broncho II to buck off Tamalin's challenge

By Michael Seely

If the gods of weather continue to relent visitors to Newcastle today will see one of the highest class National Hunt programmes ever staged at Gosforth Park. A thaw set in yesterday. Freddie Newton, clerk of the course, said yesterday afternoon: "There will now be no inspection of the course in the morning. Everything is OK. The snow is completely off the track after a rapid thaw. The going will be soft."

The features race, the £7,500 Pintail Steeplechase (2.45) has been robbed of much of its glamour with Fred Rimell's last-minute decision to send Royal Frolic to Wincanton. But a keen battle is still promised between those gallant warriors, Broncho II and Tamalin. The third member of the little band, Bishops Pawn, the winner of his last two races, should be out of his depth at these weights.

Broncho II's 15 victories have included two triumphs at the National Hunt Festival for Tony Dickinson. But perhaps this tough gelding's finest hour came when he sprinted away from Grangewood Girl and Fort Devon in the Welsh Champion Steeplechase at Chepstow last spring.

Tamalin has recorded 17 successes for Gordon Richards. Perhaps his best performance was put up when he narrowly failed to concede 18 lb to Zeta's Son in last season's Hennessy Gold Cup. Tamalin has been in good form this campaign, winning races in great style at Carlisle and Newcastle. His only poor effort was when he finished third to Rambling Jack on this course last time out. But that defeat may have been caused by a recurrence of his old back trouble. And his experienced trainer would not be running Tamalin if he had any doubts on that score today.

In the Great Yorkshire Steeplechase at Doncaster both horses have been allotted 11 st 5 lb. This afternoon Tamalin is in receipt of 8 lb from the Gisburn-trained nine-year-old. But Tamalin's best distance is three miles and upwards. The going will be in his favour today but over this afternoon's two and a half miles Broncho II may prove the sharper of the pair.

There is little public evidence of Broncho II's wellbeing. After a hard fought victory over some moderate opposition at Nottingham, he ran below par behind Zougalero at Cheltenham in November. Although Broncho II has not been seen out since then, he is reported to have moved well in a spin over hurdles after racing at Teesside earlier this week. He may not yet be fully wound up but Broncho II is still a fairly confident selection.

There is strength in depth throughout the card. The chief supporting race, the £5,000 Ladbroke Trophy (2.15), may lack something in quality but a competitive contest is assured. The sponsors make Ken Oliver's Rambling Jack, already twice a winner on the track this season, their favourite at 7-2. Rambling Jack excelled himself when beating Cantabet and Tamalin last time out. This afternoon's testing three miles six furlongs may be far enough for the seven-year-old.

The pick of the weights may be on Alpenstock and Irish Tony. Stan Mellor's Vulgan gelding, Alpenstock, revels in the mud and proved his stamina in his four victories last season. His second to Co-Partner at Worcester suggests that Alpenstock is returning to his peak at the right time. Irish Tony also captured four races for Neville Crump last season. He is well at present and was going easily when he fell behind Gay Spartan at Haydock Park last Saturday. Both horses will be in their element over the distance and on the ground. I just prefer Alpenstock.

The Shoveller Novices Hurdle (1.45) and the Widgeon Novices Steeplechase (1.15) are gems of races and could both reveal possible Cheltenham winners. The first of these events is packed with talent. The issue may lie between the five-year-old Netherton, and the four-year-old Pollerton, who is the forecast favourite. A high-class winner on the flat, Pollerton ran well behind the Triumph Hurdle favourite, Rodman, first time out and has since scored in good style at Newbury.

Netherton is undefeated with four victories to his credit over hurdles for Peter Easterby. The gelding was not all that impressive when scrambling home from Mayhem on this track. He was thought to be in need of the race after a temporary setback in training. He proved that when cantering over Border Fort at Leicester on Monday, Netherton is a confident selection.

Easterby also runs his good hurdler Alverton over fences for the first time in the novices steeplechase. Alverton is said to have taken well to his new task at Malton but Pollerton's trainer, Tom Jones, may take his revenge with Sweet Joe, who had Fin, the eventual winner, apparently at his mercy when falling four fences from home at Cheltenham recently.

At Warwick, Fred Rimell could be the man to follow. The Worcestershire trainer could capture the Panama Cigar Qualifier (2.0) with Norfolk Air, and the Joe Coral Golden Hurdle Qualifier (3.0) with Royal Gaye, who belongs to Royal Frolic's owner, Sir John Jammer. Norfolk Air, a one-time classic hope, shaped well enough on his first appearance over hurdles behind Echo Summit at Cheltenham to prove too good for his opponents today.

Royal Gaye has won his only two races this season easily. Monte Ceco, who chased home Narribinni in the Johnny Walker Handicap Hurdle at Ayr, is probably the chief danger. Rimell could well land a treble with Another Dolly in the Stanley Tools Novices Steeplechase (2.30).

Tennis

Feaver and Lloyd bring a British victory at last

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

Britain, beaten by Sweden and Austria in previous matches, have got into their stride at last in the 20-nation European indoor tennis league competition for the King's Cup. They won both their singles against Spain at the Concord Sports Centre, Sheffield, on Thursday evening. So, the concluding doubles was irrelevant to the outcome of the tie. John Feaver beat Javier Soler, 6—7, 6—4, 7—5 and John Lloyd, runner-up for the Australian championship last month, then then defeated Jose Higueras.

This competition has a strong Swedish accent. It was conceived there and Sweden have won it more often than any other nation. The overall sponsors (Saab-Scania) are Swedish, and so is the Bolltex carpet on which the competition is played. On Thursday's evidence this is not the best of surfaces devised for indoor tennis. Such factors as the underlying floor and the compression of the balls also affect the pace of the playing conditions. But the tennis was not a flattering advertisement for the court. Nor did it adequately reward the enthusiasm of a Yorkshire crowd who seldom have the opportunity to watch players of this quality. The attendance would have been far more than 1,500 had the stadium been larger.

At times it seemed that the surface was encouraging almost rally-free tennis. Nor was the lighting as bright as it might have been. Feaver, of course, is capable of serving an occasional ace on Marshland. On this court he served 17, plus as many service winners. Even Soler served 15 aces, though this challenging tally arose partly from the fact that Feaver's returns tended to be less sound than the Spaniard's.

The severity of the serving was exaggerated but, for the most part, the quality of the tennis was ruined. This was a throwback to the bad old days when it was taken for granted that indoor tennis would have nothing much to offer except thunder and lightning. Any player losing a service game last evening could reasonably be accused of negligence. But the game commanded attention in the corners of the arena, where spectators had to be wary of the hazards of a direct hit or a ricochet.

Soler, a bony left-hander who has let his hair grow since he left the Army a year ago, had the only break points of the first set. He played some good ground strokes to reduce Feaver to 15—40 down at 4—all. But Feaver slammed the door with two fierce services to the backhand. In the tie-break, though, Soler hit two telling drives to establish a lead Feaver could not quite erase. There was only one break point in the second set: and Feaver won it with a backhand return. In the third set Soler had a break point for 4—2. But Feaver's next service broke Soler's racket and when the call was contested and the point replayed, Feaver served an ace.

Soler's head began to droop and in the next game—the best in the match in that it contained a certain amount of patterned rallying—Feaver had three break points. Solar fought his way out of that corner. But at 5—all Feaver had another break point and this time Soler falsely assumed that a backhand return was going out. Feaver held his service to love to end a match that was not worth an hour and 58 minutes of anyone's time.

The second match was of a much higher quality. Lloyd played an impressive first set. He was quick on to anything loose, and went for his winning shots with boldness and accuracy. His reactions were fast, and he punished Higueras for anything that was the least bit loose. But in the second set the Spaniard's service returns improved, so much so that he was able to destroy Lloyd's momentum.

Higueras threatened to take the third set into his keeping when he broke through to lead 3—2. But in the past eight months or so, Lloyd has proved himself a resilient competitor—and he did so again now. In the sixth game of that third set, Higueras's service faltered; Lloyd broke back with some sharp returns and, finally, a top-spin lob. Lloyd then took the next three games with such surging confidence that one wondered how on earth he had managed to get into so much trouble in the middle of the match.

RESULTS: J. Feaver bt J. Soler, 6—7, 6—4, 7—5; J. Lloyd beat J. Higueras 6—4, 3—6, 6—3.

VASTERAS: King's Cup (group A): Sweden beat Austria, 3—1.

LE MANS: King's Cup: France lead Yugoslavia, 2—0.

Athletics

Prague takes precedence over Canada

By Cliff Temple

Sonia Lannaman and Sebastian Coe, two of Britain's most successful international athletes during 1977, have each been awarded £1,000 Kraft Olympic Scholarships for the forthcoming year. With the Commonwealth Games and the European championships both taking place in late summer, the money will ensure that they are able to undertake some overseas training, and both admitted yesterday at a press reception in London that they consider the European championships in Prague to be the more importanr of the two.

So much so that Coe, the United Kingdom record holder and European indoor champion at 800 metres, will not decide until later in the year whether he will even aim for the Commonwealth Games. "My most important aim for 1978 is the European championships 800 metres, and I will not run in any indoor meetings this winter to avoid possible injury", he said. "With this scholarship money I will now be able to go to Italy at East for a fortnight of training with my father, who coaches me."

Coe, a student at Loughborough University, succeeds another Loughborough athlete, David Moorcroft, as the male recipient of the annual scholarships.

Miss Lannaman, the United Kingdom record holder for 200 metres, who receives the women's scholarship for the second year, hopes to run in both the Commonwealth and European championships where, with the 100, 200 and 4 x 100 metres relay, a total of six medals of some colour would be possible for her, but she and her Wolverhampton-based coach, Charles Taylor, are particularly conscious that the two-week "bridge" in August between the two championships will be an important time.

For that reason, they will spend little of it in England, either remaining in Edmonton, Alberta, after the Commonwealth Games, or moving straight to a European centre.

Like Coe, Miss Lannaman is also missing out on indoor racing this season, and the eight-month competitive gap between her last race of 1977 and her first expected contest this year, probably at the end of May, is the longest she has undertaken, apart from spells of injury.

Skiing

Men's downhill race is lost in Swiss mist

Gale force winds and mist yesterday halted training for a men's World Cup downhill ski race on the Lauberhorn course at Wengen, Switzerland. The race, which was to have been televised by both BBC and IBA, was postponed until tomorrow. Officials cancelled a scheduled practice after some 20 racers had attempted runs on the exacting 2.6 mile course, the longest in the Alps at this level of competition.

Wind speeds reached more than 60 miles an hour and fog banks drifted across the steep, tree-flanked Haneggschuss section leading to a tricky S-bend and the final sharp drop to the finishing line. World Cup rules stipulate that competitors must have two training runs on the course before a downhill event, but the racers have had only one practice, on Thursday.

A World Cup slalom originally scheduled for tomorrow has been put off until Monday, and a giant slalom at Adelboden will now take place on Tuesday instead of Monday.

Two European Cup races in France yesterday—a men's downhill at Val d'Isère and a women's downhill at Meribel, also had to be postponed. If the weather improves the races will be run today or tomorrow. European Cup races planned this weekend at Cervinia, Italy, have been cancelled because snow has blocked access roads.

Mrs Moser gained only five World Cup points yesterday although the winner normally collects 25 points. This was because, under Cup rules, a skier can count only her three best performances of the season in each of the three disciplines—downhill, slalom and giant slalom. So her third successive downhill win meant she had to discard the 20 points she gained from second place in the season's first women's downhill.

Mrs Moser won the World Cup for five successive years between 1971 and 1975 before retiring for one season. She returned to take second place in last season's World Cup behind Lise-Marie Morerod of Switzerland. Miss Morerod, third in this year's standings, is a slalom and giant slalom specialist and did not risk starting in yesterday's downhill.

Annemarie Moser, of Austria, outclassed her rivals in a women's downhill at Les Diablerets, Switzerland, yesterday to boost her chances of capturing the women's World Cup for the sixth time. Mrs Moser, a leading racer for nearly a decade, hurtled down the twisting Jorasse here in 1min 29.38sec, nearly a second ahead of the runner-up, Evi Mittermaier.

Mrs Moser's win, her third successive downhill victory this season, raised her World Cup points total to 98, nine ahead of her nearest challenger, Hanni Wenzel, of Liechtenstein. Miss Wenzel, winner of two World Cup giant slaloms so far this season, had hoped to close the gap on Mrs Moser yesterday but she could finish only ninth.

DOWNHILL: 1, A. Moser (Austria), 1 min 29.38 sec; 2, E. Mittermaier (WG), 1:30.56; 3, I. Epple (WG), 1:31.00; 4, C. Nelson (US), 1:31.55; 5, M.-T. Nadig (Switzerland), 1:31.86; 6, D. de Agostini (Switzerland), 1:31.90.

WORLD CUP: 1, A. Moser, 98 pts; 2, H. Wenzel (Liechtenstein), 89; 3, L.-M. Morerod (Switzerland), 66; 4, M. Kaserer (Austria), 64; 5, C. Nelson 58; 6, M.-T. Nadig, 56.—Reuter.

Latest European snow reports

	Depth (cm) L	U	Piste	Conditions Off piste	Runs to resort	Weather (5 pm)	°C
avos	50	110	Good	Powder	Good	Fair	0
Powder snow on hard base							
'laine	50	155	Good	Powder	Good	Snowing	-5
Top lifts closed, high wind							
es Menuires	80	200	Good	Powder	Good	Snow	1
New snow on hard base							
aas-Fee	110	200	—	—	—	—	—
Lifts closed, avalanche danger							
auze d'Oulx	48	78	Good	Heavy	Good	Snow	0
Few runs open, heavy snowfall							
eefeld	75	90	Good	Spring	Good	Fine	2
Runs pisted, off-piste good							
al d'Isère	160	300	Good	Powder	Closed	Snow	0
Avalanche danger extreme							
erbier	20	130	Good	Heavy	Good	—	3
Powder snow becoming heavy							
'engen	25	55	Fair	Varied	Fair	Cloud	0
New snow but runs windswept							

In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes.

Hockey

Wales are taxed early but end with rebate

Wales 9 France 2

Judged by their early speed Wales and France seemed determined to make an impressive start to the six-nations indoor hockey tournament, sponsored by Rank Xerox, at Crystal Palace last night. France set the Welsh defence a few taxing problems and the Welsh goalkeeper was called upon to save in the first couple of minutes.

The French, however, caused as many problems off the field as on it. Their manager discovered numerous errors in the team sheet which had to be written out again. Once this was done their minds were set at rest.

France are a better indoor side than many believe. They qualified for the European Cup final in 1976 at Arnhem, where they finished fifth. Last night there was sufficient evidence of skill and practical ability in their approach work.

Speed and skill were not lacking either in the Welsh team, with Cowx leading the attack and Brough doing the scheming in the middle. Williams played his usual stout-hearted game in defence and did much to break up the French connexion betwetn attack and defence.

After they had survived the early French storm, Wales forced the first corner from which the goalkeeper made a fine save with his stick. The frustrated marksman was Cowx, who just failed to score again when he went through alone. But a fine run on the right by Marsh and a brilliant shot from the edge of the circle gave Wales the lead.

The French, having lost the initiative, began to play more cautiously and only a few bursts through the middle by Tetard helped to relieve pressure. A great save by their goalkeeper prevented Wales from going two up.

After 10 minutes France forced their first corner from which a good shot by Darfeuille just missed the mark; but by that time the pace of the game had slowed down and much of the earlier feel had been lost.

The best match today will be the one between England and Scotland, which starts at 2.30. Scotland have usually got the better of England and they are favourites to win the tournament. But the Roses, who finished ahead of Granwood (Scotland) at the Hague, have given England hope. There are two changes in the England team: Richard Barker has been replaced in goal by Burrough, who has been capped only twice for England. Mayo, one of the main strikers, has been replaced by Ward, of Firebrands.



Martin O'Halloran . . . out of action for a week after a heavy fall at Ascot yesterday.

Ascot results

1.0 (1.1) SILVER DOCTOR HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £1,380: 2m)
Ruby Wine, ch h, by Red God—Gone Gay (Mrs M. Valentine), 5-11-9 .. J. Francome (1-2 fav) 1
Flying Romany R. Champion (50-1) 2
Marhill Bell .. M. Banham (66-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 Peter Grimes (4th), 10-1 Sunhat, 66-1 Mrs Oates (p). 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 13p; places, 13p, £1.83; dual forecast, £2.54. F. Winter, Lambourn. 3l, 4l.

1.35 (1.36) BUCKTAIL STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,207: 2m)
Chance a Look, b m, by Don't Look—Spinning Coin (M. Bryant), 12-11-4 C. Brown (9-2) 1
Bredgar .... N. Holman (15-8) 2
Day To Day .. R. Wilding (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Le Jet, 8-1 Mr Moke (4th), 12-1 Not Often (p), Roc Imp, Takasaki, 25-1 Royal Romance, 33-1 Normanion (u). 10 ran.
TOTE: Win, 59p; places, 23p, 18p, 70p; dual forecast, £1.41. S. Woodman, at Chichester. 1½l, 2½l.

2.5 (2.8) HAIRY MARY HURDLE (Handicap: £2,092: 3m)
Nice To See You, br g, by Targogan—Lovely Kate (P. Hues), 5-10-2 P. Barton (6-1) 1
Quickapenny .. T. Andrews (15-1) 2
Listercombe .... A. Webb (6-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Ardlair, 6-1 Brief Chance, 10-1 Foolsome, 12-1 Hogan Hills (4th), 20-1 Coffee Bob, Satan Power, Tara Dream, In Vision, Willie May. 12 ran.
TOTE: Win, 52p; places, 12p, 57p, 19p, dual forecast, £3.58. D. Gandolfo, at Wantage. 1½l, 3l. Rushmere did not run.

2.35 (2.37) THUNDER AND LIGHTNING STEEPLECHASE (£2,747: 3m)
Straight Row, b g, by No Argument—Boreen (Mrs D. Anderson), 8-11-12 T. Carberry (2-5 fav) 1
Persian Camp .. B. Davies (3-1) 2
Jackadandy .. J. Francome (13-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 66-1 Nagari (f). 4 ran.
TOTE: Win, 11p; dual forecast, 14p. J. Dreaper, in Ireland. 3l, 10l.

3.5 (3.10) GREEN HIGHLANDER STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £2,670: 3m)
Coolishall, b g, by Kabale—Alona's Deal (P. Harris), 9-10-11 J. Francome (5-2 jt fav) 1
Master Spy G. Thorner (5-2 jt fav) 2
Sonny Somers P. O'Brien (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-4 My Friendly Cousin (f), 6-1 Dublin Express (4th). 5 ran.
TOTE: Win, 34p; dual forecast, 47p. P. Cundell, at Compton. Nk, 1½l.

3.40 (3.45) SILVER DOCTOR HURDLE (Div II: Novices: £1,471: 2m)
Explorateur, br g, by Arctic Explorer—Cania (J. McCarthy), 9-11-11 P. Blacker (6-4 jt fav) 1
Debt Collector P. O'Brien (33-1) 2
Tackling .... A. Carroll (16-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 6-4 jt fav Killwarren (4th), 11-1 Avgerinos, 16-1 Echo Summit, My Hussar, 25-1 Night Porter, Scottish Mandate, 33-1 Prince Jack, Righteous Fury, Sheer Silk. 12 ran.
TOTE: Win, 31p; places, 11p, 73p, 35p; dual forecast, £12.70. S. Mellor, at Lambourn. 1l, 1l. Green Ice did not run.

TOTE DOUBLE: Nice To See You, Coolishall £13.10. TREBLE: Chance A Look, Straight Row, Explorateur, £10.85. Jackpot, £159.55. Placepot: £17 80.

Warwick programme

[Television (IBA): 1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0 races]

1.0 HAMPTON STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £1,059: 2m)
2 ff-1 Carew Marine (D), Mrs J. Ollivant, 9-11-11 ..... P. Richards 5
4 .00-0f01 Space Project (D), R. Brown, 8-11-11 ..... R. Hyett
5 04 Barrein, T. M. Jones, 8-11-7 ..... D. Sunderland
6 ppp0 Basillion, W. Hackett, 8-11-7 ..... T. Casey
8 0000-00 Cradenly, M. Marsh, 9-11-7 ..... R. Evans
9 pf00p0 *Cwmdor, M. Scudamore, 9-11-7 ..... —
11 0rf Flemingstown, F. Rimell, 8-11-7 ..... C. Tinkler
12 00p-0p0 Harry Hawke, B. Palling, 6-11-7 ..... C. Candy
14 p-0p000 Java Fox, B. Cambidge, 8-11-7 ..... G. Jones
15 pef-ff Lanky Jack, M. Scudamore, 7-11-7 ..... R. Kington
18 Remina, B. McMahon, 8-11-7 ..... Mr R. Woolley
19 p Saldakan, R. Armytage, 10-11-7 ..... H. Evans
20 00-032f Snowshill Sailor, R. Turnell, 6-11-7 ..... S. Knight
25 0-0 Astral Charmer, W. Stephenson, 5-10-12 ..... J. Suthern
11-10 Snowshill Sailor, 5-1 Space Project, 6-1 Carew Marine, 12-1 Java Fox, Flemingstown, 16-1 Barrain, Cradenly, Lanky Jack, 20-1 Astral Charmer, 25-1 others.

1.30 SHERBOURNE STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £2,078: 2½m)
1 31f4-p3 Dulwich, C. Davies, 11-12-0 ..... P. Blacker
6 231411 Major Owen, P. Calver, 9-10-11 ..... R. Evans
8 0-41142 Prebihas, D. Nicholson, 6-10-4 ..... J. Suthern
9 011-340 Tenspir (D), T. Forster, 9-10-3 ..... J. Marshall 5
10 3-x2443 I'm Smart (D), E. Courage, 11-10-0 ..... S. Morshead
11 33f11 Lucy Parker, J. Fawkes, 7-10-0 ..... T. Casey
12 4s0310 Flickity Prince (D), G. Bosley, 13-10-0 ..... K. Bosley 5
13 000241 Toussaint, M. Oliver, 8-10-0 ..... R. Crank
9-4 Major Owen, 9-2 Dulwich, 11-2 I'm Smart, 7-1 Prebihas, Tenspir, 10-1 Toussaint, 12-1 Lucy Parker, 14-1 Flickity Prince.

2.0 PANAMA CIGAR HURDLE (Qualifier: 5-y-o: £1,314: 2m)
5 00 Adains Boy, B. Cambidge, 11-0 ..... Mr J. Cambidge 7
7 Fire Port, R. Pocock, 11-0 ..... P. Richards 3
10 Niagara Rhythm, J. Webber, 11-0 ..... D. Sunderland
11 4 Norfolk Air, F. Rimell, 11-0 ..... J. Burke
13 Romany Furlong, R. Turnell, 11-0 ..... S. Knight
4-9 Norfolk Air, 100-30 Romany Furlong, 10-1 Niagara Rhythm, 20-1 Fire Port, Adains Boy.

2.30 STANLEY TOOLS STEEPLECHASE (Qualifier: Novices: £1,901: 3m)
1 2-111bp Another Dolly, F. Rimell, 8-11-10 ..... J. Burke
5 23-12p0 Three Gems (D), M. Oliver, 7-11-10 ..... Mr J. Weston 5
6 00-0042 Albury Lad, S. Mellor, 8-11-4 ..... P. Blacker
11 030402 Prime Justice, J. Millington, 8-11-4 ..... Mr P. Millington 7
12 00-423u Princely Bid, R. Armytage, 7-11-4 ..... H. Evans
14 0-s0310 Sure Enough, E. Courage, 7-11-4 ..... S. Morshead
18 42f24f Zonta, R. Clay, 10-11-4 ..... P. Barton
8-11 Another Dolly, 4-1 Albury Lad, 7-1 Princely Bid, 12-1 Sure Enough, Three Gems, 16-1 Prime Justice, 20-1 Zonta.

3.0 GOLDEN HURDLE (Handicap: Qualifier: £1,900: 2m 5f)
1 221110 Zellaman, F. Walwyn, 9-12-0 ..... W. Smith
2 310211 Lacson, R. Hawker, 6-11-11 ..... Mr A. Walter 5
3 30-1220 Master Smudge, K. Barrow, 6-11-8 ..... R. Evans
4 002f30 Kilcoleman, J. Bayers, 6-11-7 ..... —
6 2233f-0 Noblest Noble, S. Holland, 8-11-5 ..... S. Holland
7 21-0002 Monte Ceco, E. Owen jun, 5-11-4 ..... N. Balmer 5
8 00-0000 Oranmore, R. Atkins, 8-10-13 ..... R. Atkins
9 b12-000 Longacre, D. Gandolfo, 7-10-13 ..... P. Barton
11 141-03f Romany Count, A. Moore, 6-10-12 ..... F. Macdonald
12 00-4011 Royal Gaye (C-D), F. Rimell, 5-10-8 ..... C. Tinkler
13 200f20 *Rushmere, R. Atkins, 5-10-7 ..... —
15 00-30 Charlotson, J. Gifford, 6-10-6 ..... R. Rowe 7
16 000-24p *Ducky M, M. Salaman, 8-10-4 ..... —
17 1000- Staraigo, D. H. Jones, 9-10-3 ..... J. Jenkins
18 10312-p Bobette, M. Delahooke, 6-10-2 ..... J. Suthern
19 0 Waite, A. Dickinson, 8-10-0 ..... J. Burke
20 004-034 Markarajah, D. Ancil, 9-10-0 ..... S. Knight
22 432-001 Marine Parade, M. Pipe, 8-10-0 ..... R. Mann
23 00p-003 Ask For Roger (C-D), M. Tate, 7-10-0 ..... C. Smith
24 04032- Jim Colner, J. Webber, 6-10-0 ..... H. Evans
25 000300 Mellys Beau, Mrs J. Pitman, 6-10-0 ..... B. Smart
9-2 Royal Gaye, 5-1 Lacson, 6-1 Monte Ceco, 10-1 Romany Count, 12-1 Kilcoleman, Zellaman, Master Smudge, 14-1 Markarajah, Marine Parade, 16-1 Ask For Roger, Charlotson, Waite, 25-1 others.

3.30 LEASOWES HURDLE (Handicap: £493: 2m)
2 0-p0321 Lloyd Ardua (D), R. Cambidge, 5-11-6 ..... G. Jones
3 4440- God Aeolus, P. Makin, 5-11-3 ..... G. Knight 5
4 4-03030 George Kirtland, C. Price, 6-11-1 ..... C. Price 5
6 001400 Roaming Minstrel, R. Hollinshead, 5-11-0 ..... C. Astbury
7 00-3000 Karella, S. Holland, 6-10-13 ..... S. Holland
11 000-p00 Gala, D. H. Jones, 6-10-9 ..... J. White 7
12 00-0000 Falton, J. Bradley, 5-10-9 ..... M. Williams
13 04-0000 Knave of Hearts, M. Tate, 6-10-8 ..... R. Hyett
15 000000 Hallah, D. H. Jones, 5-10-7 ..... —
16 pb0-0 Apache Lady, R. Pocock, 6-10-7 ..... P. Richards 3
17 00bf02 Lager Boy, A. Jones, 5-10-7 ..... J. Williams
19 ppp-00 Linbalu, Earl Jones, 5-10-7 ..... H. Evans
20 000000 Park Lass, Mrs J. Evans, 5-10-7 ..... J. Kelly 7
21 p00p- Running Fawn, Earl Jones, 6-10-7 ..... J. Barlow 5
22 000- Daygo, F. Colon, 5-10-7 ..... Mr P. O'Connor 7
23 0p00 Robette, M. Delahooke, 5-10-7 ..... J. Suthern
7-4 Lloyd Ardua, 4-1 Lager Boy, 5-1 Roaming Minstrel, 12-1 George Kirtland, Karolla, Knave of Hearts, 14-1 Robette, Linbalu, God Aeolus, 20-1 others.
*Doubtful runner

Warwick selections

By Our Racing Staff

1.0 Carew Marine. 1.30 Major Owen. 2.0 Norfolk Air. 2.30 Another Dolly. 3.0 Royal Gaye. 3.30 Lager Boy.

Ascot programme

[Television (BBC1): 1.0, 1.35, 2.10 and 2.40 races]

1.0 DURHAM RANGER HURDLE (Div I: novices: £1,417: 2m)
1 13221 Double Bluff (D), F. Winter, 5-11-12 ..... J. Francome
2 40-01 Sweet September (D), R. Turnell, 6-11-11 ..... E. Waite 7
3 24041 The Hand (D), F. Rimell, 5-11-9 ..... Mr E. Woods 7
4 p0 Beechway, H. Collingridge, 9-11-7 ..... J. Pearce
6 03 Gold Claim, C. Bewicke, 6-11-7 ..... Major R. Faulkner 3
9 p00 No Louerer, F. Hutchinson, 9-11-7 ..... Mr F. Hutchinson 7
12 f00-0 Oh Honey, A. Davison, 5-11-5 ..... G. Gracey 5
14 302121 Mr Playbirds, N. Callaghan, 4-10-11 ..... J. King
16 p03 Saint Just, D. Jermy, 4-10-4 ..... I. Carner 7
7-4 Double Bluff, 5-2 Mr Playbirds, 3-1 Sweet September, 6-1 The Hand, 20-1 Gold Claim, 25-1 Saint Just, 33-1 others.

1.35 PHILIP CORNES HURDLE (Novices: £1,436: 2½m)
202 00-01 Tanzenburg, A. Watson, 7-11-8 ..... T. McGivern
203 2-221 Ballyfin Lake, F. Winter, 7-11-5 ..... J. Francome
204 1 Belfalas, T. Forster, 5-11-5 ..... G. Thorner
206 0-03124 Bilston, G. Balding, 5-11-5 ..... R. Linley
207 030-041 Fury Spirit, J. Haine, 6-11-5 ..... B. R. Davies
210 02-012u Hippolito, P. Doyle, 5-11-2 ..... —
212 0-21 Nofina, J. Dudgeon, 5-11-2 ..... R. Floyd
213 002042 Caper's Lad, N. Mitchell, 6-11-0 ..... Mr N. Mitchell 7
214 434-020 Compton Cassey, D. Nicholson, 6-11-0 ..... R. Mangan
215 Gay Air, K. Kent, 10-11-0 ..... P. Duggins 5
216 0p-0 Just Because, Mrs N. Whitfield, 7-11-0 ..... Mr L. Fogerty 7
219 .00-000p Slippery Dick, J. Haine, 6-11-0 ..... —
220 Sporting Image, D. Grissell, 10-11-0 ..... N. Holman 5
223 p Jackie B, D. Darling, 5-10-11 ..... Mr B. Darling 7
225 03p-203 Loving Words, J. Dimond, 5-10-11 ..... Mr C. Tizzard 7
6-4 Belfalas, 7-2 Tanzenburg, 5-1 Ballyfin Lake, 6-1 Bilston, 10-1 Hippolito, 14-1 Nofina, 16-1 Fury Spirit, 33-1 others.

2.10 BLUE CIRCLE CEMENT STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £3,963: 2m)
305 f2-4120 Grangewood Girl (C-D), Mrs A. Finch, 9-11-11 B. R. Davies
304 4-p0421 Early Spring (D), R. Turnell, 8-11-10 ..... A. Turnell
306 411-02 Cancello, N. Crump, 9-11-9 ..... C. Hawkins
308 30-1011 Artifice (C-D), J. Thorne, 7-11-6 ..... P. Hobbs
309 31f4-p3 Dulwich (C-D), C. Davies, 11-11-1 ..... —
310 420212 Skryne (D), P. Bailey, 8-10-10 ..... J. King
311 44-4042 Vaguely Attractive (D), S. Murphy, 9-10-6 .. M. O'Halloran
2-1 Artifice, 5-2 Grangewood Girl, 3-1 Early Spring, 10-1 Cancello, 14-1 Skryne, Vaguely Attractive.

2.40 PETER ROSS STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £2,357: 3m)
401 003121 Samuel Pepys (D), F. Rimell, 7-11-13 ..... J. Francome
402 102211 Strombolus, P. Bailey, 7-11-13 ..... R. Champion
404 1p3014 Roicy Hill, D. Nicholson, 7-11-10 ..... R. Mangan
405 4 Celtic Venture, R. Hodges, 7-11-3 ..... C. McCourt
410 000p-f Romany Car, F. Kent, 9-11-3 ..... Mr L. Fogerty
411 u31002 Toureen, J. Gifford, 6-11-3 ..... M. Stanley
6-4 Strombolus, 9-4 Samuel Pepys, 4-1 Roicy Hill, 6-1 Toureen, 20-1 Celtic Venture, 50-1 Romany Car.

3.15 JOCK SCOTT STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £2,802: 2½m)
501 034-110 Flashy Boy (C,D), A. Watson, 10-12-1 ..... T. McGivern
502 11u2u1 Even Melody (D), N. Crump, 9-11-11 ..... C. Hawkins
504 034311 Commandant (C-D), G. Balding, 6-11-1 ..... R. Linley
506 100-11f Discount Market (C-D), C. Bewicke, 7-10-4 ..... J. King
507 0012 Sycamore (D), J. Gifford, 9-10-0 ..... M. Stanley
508 2324-21 Jer, W. Clay, 7-10-0 ..... —
509 0-41142 Prebihas, D. Nicholson, 6-10-0 ..... —
510 0p-p Summer Dance (D), R. Turnell, 11-10-0 ..... A. Turnell
511 404012 Tenecoon (D), P. A. Smith, 9-10-0 ..... C. Brown 5
3-1 Even Melody, 7-2 Flashy Boy, 5-1 Discount Market, 6-1 Sycamore, 8-1 Commandant, Jer, 14-1 Summer Dance, Tenecoon.

3.45 DURHAM RANGER HURDLE (Div II: novices: £1,444: 2m)
604 214 Mister Parsley, F. Winter, 5-11-9 ..... J. Francome
605 21 Trainers Seat, D. Balding, 5-11-9 ..... T. Dahl
607 0 Findon Lad, D. Underwood, 7-11-7 ..... J. Redmond 7
608 0 Romfulsears, N. Mitchell, 9-11-7 ..... Mr N. Mitchell 7
610 00-4402 Gervaise Wood, E. Beeson, 5-11-5 ..... R. Goldstein 7
611 4 Norfolk Air, F. Rimell, 5-11-5 ..... —
613 02222 Sweeping Along, J. Gifford, 5-11-5 ..... R. Champion
619 Sweet Shop, J. Haine, 4-10-3 ..... R. Mangan
4-6 Trainers Seat, 3-1 Mister Parsley, 6-1 Sweeping Along, 14-1 Sweet Shop, 20-1 Gervaise Wood, 33-1 others.

Ascot selections

By Our Racing Correspondent

1.0 Double Bluff. 1.35 Belfalas. 2.10 GRANGEWOOD GIRL is specially recommended. 2.40 Strombolus. 3.15 Even Melody. 3.45 Trainers Seat.

Newcastle programme

[Television (ITV): 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45 races]

12.45 MALLARD HURDLE (Div I: novices: £693: 2½m)
3 0-00011 Beau Brigg (C), R. Cross, 6-12-3 ..... S. Charlton 5
5 0212 Broomley, W. Elsey, 5-11-12 ..... G. Holmes
6 0-0 Abo, K. Oliver, 6-11-10 ..... R. Barry
8 00p- Beechy Brig, J. Hanson, 7-11-10 ..... J. J. O'Neill
9 f-020 Dunmarc, F. Jestin, 6-11-10 ..... Mr F. Jestin 7
11 0- Salkeld, K. Oliver, 6-11-10 ..... Mr J. Mackie 5
12 00002-0 The Hawk, W. A. Stephenson, 6-11-10 ..... R. Collins
14 Caravino, R. Whitaker, 5-11-7 ..... Mr R. Whitaker 7
16 000 Colonel Crocket, F. Walton, 5-11-7 ..... Mr J. Walton
17 00004- *Galagoer, D. Forsyth, 5-11-7 ..... —
19 000 Joogley Brig, W. Crawford, 5-11-7 ..... N. Doughty 7
20 000-0 Karanea, Mrs H. Bradburne, 5-11-7 ..... Mr J. Bradbourne 7
21 000 Lucky Bill, Lady Herries, 5-11-7 ..... D. Munro
22 40-0 Man of Steel, G. Richards, 5-11-7 ..... D. Goulding
23 800-000 Romney Chase, C. Lamb, 5-11-7 ..... R. Lamb
24 00f-000 Straight Phase, M. Naughton, 5-11-7 ..... Mr S. Kettlewell 7
25 0000-00 Sturdy Lad, W. J. Smith, 5-11-7 ..... Mr D. Metcalfe 7
27 0000 Fredicutata, R. Stubbs, 4-10-7 ..... T. Enright
7-4 Beau Brigg, 5-1 Broomley, 9-2 Man of Steel, 6-1 Dunmarc, 8-1 The Hawk, Beechy Brig, 14-1 others.

1.15 WIDGEON STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £1,270: 2m 120yd)
202 123321 Brother Will, W. A. Stephenson, 6-12-5 ..... G. Faulkner
203 00-1222 Alverton, M. H. Easterby, 8-11-9 ..... J. J. O'Neill
207 0f00-0p French Pin, G. Richards, 7-11-9 ..... D. Goulding
208 03020-4 Guisborough Grey, Miss J. Bell, 6-11-9 ..... P. Mangan
211 2132-0f Sweet Joe, Thomson Jones, 6-11-9 ..... S. Smith-Eccles
212 000f-0f Timothy Joe, A. Le Blond, 8-11-9 ..... C. Fairhurst 3
Evens Sweet Joe, 6-4 Alverton, 7-2 Brother Will, 12-1 others.

1.45 SHOVELLER HURDLE (Novices: £2,423: 2m 120yd)
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Saturday Review

What should they know of England?

by

Michael Holroyd

In foreign lands it is the obvious that continually foxes us. Before my first visit to New York in 1968 I had read a good deal about it, but nothing prepared me for the hellish smoke that rises through holes in the street as if from an inferno below; or for the electric shocks that stung me each time I tried to open a door, switch on a light, tactfully stroke a cat.

I had been dreadfully spoilt on that first visit. At intervals the telephone would sing out, and there was my friendly publisher with his list of friendly questions. What about fitting an extra lunch into my hectic schedule? Could I, in the next 10 days or so, manage to sign one copy of my book? How was I weathering the drastic strain? Between these calls I slept, went for walks, saw a few films, wrote letters, slept again. In restaurants I was given drinks looking like heavy water or tropical salads. Each day I was positively required to do nothing. If I murmured something practical about sales or promotion, I was stared at as if I had lapsed into bad taste. It was a time of relentless goodwill, and the world was full of gentlemen who had been told (by whom I cannot imagine) that I was a best-seller.

When people spoke of the "excitement" of New York, I felt nonplussed. In my three weeks there I clocked more hours of unmitigated sleep than anywhere else in the world. No wonder I enjoyed the place so much. A gentle security wrapped me round. Had I missed something? Was my experience incomplete?

But the next two visits had reinforced my conclusion. New York *is* a sleepy place, and curiously old-fashioned. I struggled to keep awake, for there was research to do and I was on my own.

No publisher likes to see his author at work on a book. The sight is too painful. That Ancient Mariner monologue, those glazed red eyes like cocktail cherries, the white complexion, racked figure make an awful spectacle. To ask a publisher for practical help at the research stage of a book may be as embarrassing as to volunteer help on publication day. What publishers need, what they crave for, is their authors' intoxicating absence. Usually publishers and writers communicate via a literary agent. He is a reader—of contracts. There is nothing agents like more than settling down with a good contract: many of their best jokes are contractual. My own American agent's speciality is copyright. Though otherwise (he tells me) a modest man, he is a self-confessed Master of Copyright. I used to open his letters with trembling hopes of some film, ice or opera rights *from my latest article—only to* be dashed by his congratulations: "Loved your copyright line". More than once he has generously pursued me with cables about this copyright line and for him, I suspect, it is often my best line.

In the years since my first trip there seems to have been some diminution in the fatiguing excitement of the place. That time I had seen a man fall down in a Manhattan Street. The traffic did not stop, but hooted and surged on, islanding him in the middle. In 1975 I saw a similar incident. A woman fell, lights changed to green, the cars moved forward: then, in a quivering herd they halted a few inches away. There was a pandemonium of impatience—but they stopped. It was International Women's Year.

Perhaps there is a little more reality now—certainly the crime figures have gone up. Many people's working lives are so calm that they need the fantasy of violence. The unnourishing diet of routine and hysteria, common to many cities, appears in New York to form part of an *Alice Through the Looking-Glass* pattern: the symptoms come first, and reality reluctantly has to follow. On everyone's lips there was the sound of fear. Atrocities were conceived in talk. People huddled in their padlocked apartments, listening for it, whispering about it, waiting for it, willing it. Fire trucks, ambulances, police cars waltzed and bounded through the streets trailing their screams. But over three months' walking along these streets from Greenwich Village, through Central Park, to Harlem at most hours of the night, I saw no crime, no fires, no shooting, no rape. What was wrong with me? Americans were not pleased when I told them how peaceful their city was. Most of them wanted the scent of danger, and read about it all the time in their newspapers and books. I do not claim there is no crime. My belief is that much of it has been willed into existence by desperately well-behaved people who would never hurt a fly.

There is a danger in the brief journey followed by the long essay: the danger that one will be enthusiastically misunderstood. No writer wishes to deny his readers the pleasure of a good misunderstanding. From Dickens to Donleavy there are, in the American context, heady precedents for this. They seem to show that, up to the 1930s, America had been aping whatever Europe was doing. But now Europe, especially Britain, tries to copy America and does it very badly. Criticism of America may be one of the better ways of sparing her this caricature.

When I arrived this last time in New York, I telephoned my publisher and gave my name.

"How do you spell it?" a cigarette voice asked. I explained. ". . . WHY DEE", echoed the voice, and uttered a long pause.

To myself I have always been modestly well-known. But the further I travel from Yorkshire (where I have never lived) the deeper is the bewilderment provoked by my north-country name. There are optimists who hope for Hollywood or Polaroid; while among *literati I have been merged* with David Holbrook. On his account *I have been so grossly* flattered, cut so abruptly dead, that I shall shortly form a charity to which people who get us wrong will be pressed to contribute, half and half.

In America my identity comes under *serious siege*. My publisher's pause, pregnant with my non-existence, reminded me of this; and a party, at which I had met William Buckley jnr; positively asserted it. William Buckley had demanded to be introduced to me. After his long handshake, my whole body ached with his committed praise of my work. I felt myself moving to the right. On leaving the party he again sought me out, and I braced myself for further economiums. "Well", he cried, "keep those novels rolling out and . . ." with just a flicker of hesitation, ". . . those short stories!"

My non-existence is not principally as a biographer but as a pedestrian. American pedestrians come in two classes: the quick and the dead. The former can be seen in white shorts and T-shirts; they jog, are often bald and coated (like race horses) with sweat. The second category appears to take care of the rest. In Washington *DC* almost the only pedestrians seem to be policemen. They are fitted with whistles and sound like a vigorous dawn chorus. I remember, too, in southern Illinois my excitement, like Robinson Crusoe's, at sporting a *shoe-print* in the snow, though it was only my own print from the previous week. At all times, everywhere, the streets are alive with cars that have evolved the independent life of a superior breed. The attitude towards pedestrians varies from place to place. In Austin, Texas, they are so much feared that people keep troupes of dogs to drive them off in case they decide to attack. But any car that happens to nudge one is liable to *atrocious penalties*, for, as in some game reserve, the authorities are anxious for *them not to become extinct*. Elsewhere—Beverly Hills, for instance—pedestrians are treated more abruptly and may *be picked up on suspicion of* walking with intent. Many of the sidewalks along which one hopefully sets out lead nowhere, abandoning one on some island encircled by a growling herd of wheeled monsters. It is this architecture, rather than any lurid romances of the street, that accounts for the diminishing number of actual people.

It was as a self-employed, foreign pedestrian that my extinction became almost complete. On my first day I went into a bank and presented them with all the money I had. It was, I see now, a pornographic scene—the naked notes spilling out from my clothing, lying exposed on the counter for all to see. They glared at me; eyebrows thickened; hands went to revolvers. "Whose is it?" they asked.

New York is rich. You have only to hear *the size of her* overdraft to know just how rich. But no one ever carries money: not too much money, anyway. Money is like the body used to be. We are entitled to glimpse an ankle: but I had stripped her bare. I was bustled to a corner where the questioning began.

This questioning was largely a matter of forms, none of which fitted my case. Name: we took a long time over that and it didn't, I felt, improve my chances. Then came the question that, in one way or another, on telephones, at libraries, in hotels, everyone would ask me: "Whom do you belong to?" Now it's a sad business (though of my own making), but I belong to no one. In the Great Computer, however, there is no slot for pathos. If I didn't belong, I didn't exist. And at that stalemate we languished several days.

Fortunately, I had chosen a bank in the same building as my publisher. My visits to establish my identity upstairs with him were so prolonged that one of my cross-examiners in the bank downstairs assumed that I was employed by him, and entered this information on her forms. I grasped at the indignity with gratitude, and so did the computer. I was given a cheque book with *my name handsomely printed on* it, and my triumph lasted until I realized that no one would accept these cheques—not even other branches of the same bank. Restaurants, hotels, shops should all hang up the same sign: WE DO NOT TRUST YOU. For that is the truth. They have been cheated and robbed so often, I was told, that now they look on *everyone as a crook. So the* crook is victorious, for to defeat him we have accepted his standards.

My next experiment was with travellers' cheques. Wherever I went, in whatever hamburgered desert or forest, I would approach one of the palatial banks with these cheques. But they were not so easy to convert back into money as I had believed. Bank officials would at once ask for my EYE DEE (meaning, confusingly, identity card). EYE DEEs are miniature placards, *embellished with "mug shots"* that are carried in the clothing or worn boastfully on the chest like a battalion of medals. I didn't have one. The problem was: how officially to identify someone who has been recognized as having no official existence? Letters, books, membership cards of the Automobile Association, the New York Public Library, British Museum, London Library, *National Book League*—all useless. My driving licence, being out of date and with the wrong address, was a positive handicap: I was clearly no motorist. At one super-bank even my passport was judged inadequate, since it failed to list my weight, seemed uncertain about the colour of my eyes, presented a photograph (nine years old) of some accomplice and mentioned a "peculiarity" so microscopic and intimately placed as to be valueless for bank purposes. Yet if I were not to be extinguished, I needed money. After all, this was my own money I was trying to recover.

Using the contents of my briefcase and my most tiresome and elaborate manner, I set out to construct a convincing self-portait of a blue-eyed biographer. Warming to this *task, calling unsuccessfully for* a *Who's Who* (when will that book be of use?), adding one ingenious circumstantial detail to the next, I grew so self-immersed as to overlook the lack of corresponding interest from my bank-audience. Not liking my work to be dismissed, I accused them of ignoring reality for empty procedure. I had built up a plausible *prima facie* case. But, as one of the cashiers gently explained: "We couldn't care less."

It is a tribute to my desperation *that I did cash my travellers'* cheques on agreeing to have the transaction filmed for possible use by the police. You may judge how infuriating I had become when (once the money was in my hands) I asked whether I might buy this film for repeat performances at banks all over the country.

What I really needed was a bank card. Without this I *could make no airplane reservations* and was barred from hotels (spending one night under the stars). So, stumbling through a musical dog show playing there that day, I returned to the bank.

The building was full of posters and pamphlets soliciting me to take one of these bank cards, but when I tried to do so I found I was not entitled to one. This time my paralysis came from the lack of a social security number. Once again I did not exist.

Scattering the dogs, I fled upstairs. Since it was becoming so difficult to get back my money, and no one could accept my cheques, I had arranged to make air and hotel reservations through my publisher, repaying him with money from downstairs. This system exploded when the publisher's computer failed to "accept" me. *It said I had no* "code". But if I did not exist, I argued, surely there was a need to invent me; otherwise to whom had my generous advance on royalties been paid? This question proved curiously telling, and a fictional entity, equally myself, was created—a numbered and nameless being (though allowed the courtesy title of Michael Holroyd) which everyone seemed to prefer to the old familiar one. Once this operation had been performed upstairs, I took the idea downstairs, where, following some amused discussion, it was successfully repeated. After nine weeks, upstairs, downstairs, I was reborn.

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In America everything is made easy. There are no difficulties, only problems. "What is your problem?" was the question most frequently flung at me. One of my problems is that I belong to a mathematical but not a cultural minority. Had I for instance, succeeded in being a woman (it has been done), I would have found in New York a special Woman's Bank. But there are simply not enough self-employed people to achieve minority status. In the bad old days there had been discrimination against, not a *minority, but the majority of* Americans: the blacks, women, homosexuals, Jews, almost everyone alive and, for all I know, even the dead. The regular hundred-per-cent American, whom no one had bothered to penalize, was a pretty pale and purposeless creatur Vitality and humour belong to the deprived. There w almost no one who h escaped at one time or anoth some discrimination, and w now could boast of havi weathered it.

Even the police ha claimed *minority bonuses*. Th type of segregation helps conceal the taint of havi been part of the majority, a enables each minute catego to wave its flag of speci liberation.

Vitality and humour seem the wane. Everything is solem ly categorized, segregate polished up by fashion. Wh I went into a bookstore at Ha vard to enquire after Shaw *The Adventures of the Bla Girl in her Search for God*, was directed to the "Bla Studies" and the "Women Studies" sections where, t book not having recently bee remaindered, I did not see prominently displayed. When asked, bearing in mind the s and colour of the autho whether I should try Men's White Studies, I was suspecte of joking—though why o joke should be better. th *another I don't know.*

The adults of America a the machines. They are ve fine. If you want anythi done, ask a machine. Machin buy and sell, produce, conve communicate. They keep y alive, or don't. No wondi *human beings* are almo redundant. To make a secret their decline has become *national pre-occupation*. A po ular method is for America to resemble their machines much the same way as En lishmen are said to resemb their dogs. It is astonishi what willpower can achiev Sometimes you can hardly t them apart. They congregate windowless construction bathed in homogenized ligh (some of which can never l switched off), protected fro burglars, rapists, mugger murderers, pedestrians. Th are guarded by bulging polic men, fat with revolvers, radio batons, helmets and oth brave impedimenta. No o may speak without signing form, may enter a buildi without submitting to searc or go anywhere without wavi his EYE DEE like a drownin swimmer.

Once upon a time there wer two types of problem: th avoidable and unavoidable. Th art of life lay in distinguishin between them. Americans (an I suspect ourselves) excel the former. Most of the pro lems you hear being debate could easily be solved betwee breakfast and lunch: b then—and this is our real pr dicament—what to do betwee lunch and tea? On averag Americans watch six vacuum packed hours' television a da but that still leaves sever when they are plainly u *plugged from their sets. It i* the threat of this emptines that agitates people so acutel the time when you switch o from automatic pilot to fin your own way. For where ar we going? The answer to tha may be so bleak that we prefe to obliterate it, lumber th road with phantom rocks an boulders that cannot be go round because, in any rea sense, they do not exist. Fron politics to the plains o academe, the manufacture o these problems is a bursting industry. It is assisted by news papers. In the days before Elmer Gantry (in the shape o Jimmy Carter) rode again through the country, various Americans were spotted bran dishing firearms near Presi dent Ford. He was a difficul target, one of the quick. Unaid ed, he tripped, dodged, lurched, hurtled, staggered, fell from place to place, "meeting with" the people and spending their money.

It was impossible to tell whether or not he had been hit, poor man, every few hundred yards. No wonder people spoke of his courage. But those ladies who lined up to watch him limp and bluster along, and who waved (like flags) their guns as if to orchestrate his progress were not *honestly trying to kill him.* Why should they, unless there was no other way of achieving what they wanted? What they wanted was notoriety; a public notoriety to overcome their feeling of inadequacy—that same sense of individual non-existence that threatened me. Some commentators remarked on how fortunate it was that they had missed their tripping, staggering, lurching target. But they were not aiming for Ford. They aimed at the cover of *Time* and *Newsweek*, at the front page of *The New York Times* and *Washington Post*—and they hit a bull's eye.

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There is space in America, and lots of weather, lots of food. The space is not all empty and the food not at all good; but the weather is always climacteric. It is reported incessantly on the radio, and its temperature flashed to us from street corners. Weather has become the focus of the best and (together with some westerns) most authentic television programmes. Hurricanes, blizzards, "line storms", vast snow, severe warnings—there is plenty of live drama staged each evening by satellite. The television companies compete with one another to give you the best weather. They provide not just the information, but the experience. From your room with its neutral climate of air-conditioning or central heat, you may feel the high and low pressure systems, the tropical heat, frigid squalls

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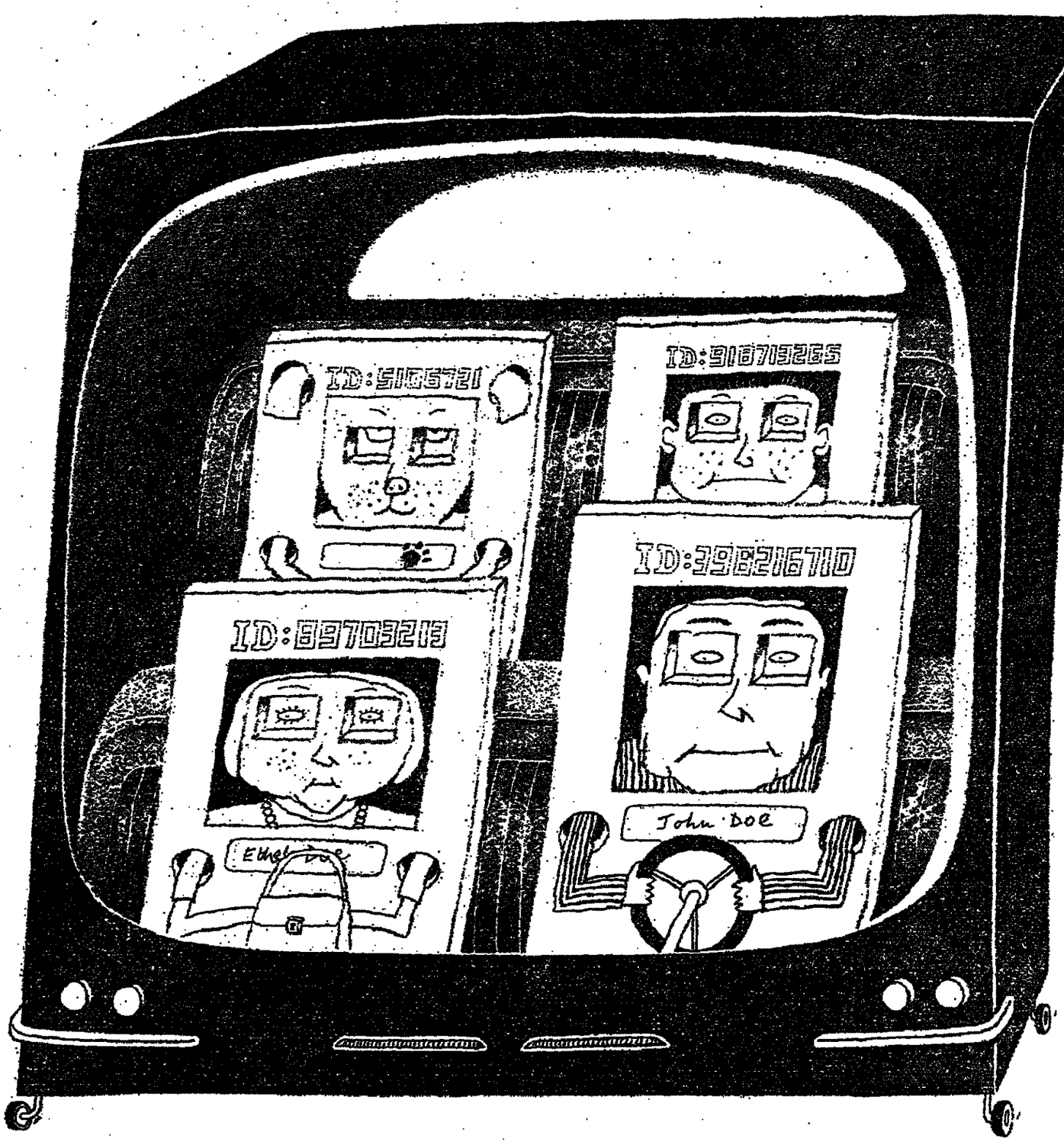
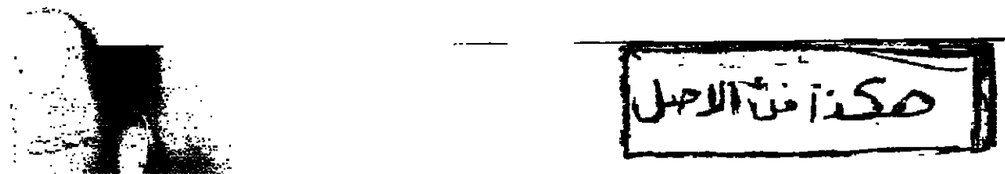


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Sunday 15 Jan. 3.00 p.m.	HARTLEY NEWNHAM countertenor Lucy Robinson & Sharyn Wicks bass viols Jonathan Rubin lute theorbo	12th cent. songs—Marcabru, Ventadorn; 16th cent. madrigals by Verdelot; 17th cent. monody: Sigismondo d'India, Frescobaldi, Monteverdi; 18th cent. viol music: Marin Marais. £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p.
Sunday 15 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	JULIAN BREAM guitar Debenhams Concert Series Harold Holt Ltd.	ALL SEATS SOLD
Monday 16 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	ULRICH THIEME recorder HANS M KOCH renaissance lute & guitar £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p New Era Int. Concerts	GERMAN WEEK Telemann: Sonata in E minor Handel: Sonata in C. Op. 1 No. 7 Caldara: Sonata in A minor: Music by Dowland Frescobaldi, Leo Brouwer, etc.
Tuesday 17 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	GERHARD OPPITZ piano 1st prize Artur Rubinstein Competition 1977 £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p New Era Int. Concerts	GERMAN WEEK Brahms: Variations, Op. 21 No. 1 Beethoven: Sonata in C minor, Op. 111 Scriabin: Sonata No. 5, Op. 53 Chopin: Polonaise-Fantasie in A flat Op. 61
Wednesday 18 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	GEORG FAUST cello ALYCE LE BLANC piano £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p New Era Int. Concerts	GERMAN WEEK Beethoven: Sonata in G minor, Op. 5 No. 2 Debussy: Sonata; Penderecki: Capriccio per Siegfried Palm (1968) for solo cello Brahms: Sonata in E minor Op. 38
Thursday 19 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	GOTTFRIED SCHNEIDER violin WOLFGANG WATZINGER piano New Era Int. Concerts	GERMAN WEEK Bach Chaconne from Partita No. 2 in D minor. Brahms: Sonata in A, Op. 100 Ravel: Tzigane; Bartok: Sonata No. 1 £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p
Friday 20 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	HANS M. KOCH renaissance lute & guitar £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p New Era Int. Concerts	GERMAN WEEK Please note change of artist.
Saturday 21 Jan. 3.00 p.m.	CARLOS FELICIATI Brazilian pianist £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p	Schumann: Fantasie in C, major, Op. 17 Ravel: Jeux d'eau Schönberg: Five Piano Pieces, Op. 23 Nobre: Theme & 6 Variations, Op. 7; Toccatina, Ponteio & Finale, Op. 13
Saturday 21 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	RENATE GREISS flute RAMON WALTER piano £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p New Era Int Concerts	GERMAN WEEK Beethoven: Serenade in D, Op. 41 Frank Martin: Ballade; Debussy: Syrinx Mauricio Rosenmann: Fusoluata for flute and piano: Franck: Sonata in A
Sunday 22 Jan. 3.00 p.m.	ALEXANDER BAILLIE cello WILLIAM HOWARD piano £2.20, £1.70, £1.20, 70p	Beethoven: Magic Flute Variations Britten: Solo Cello Suite No. 1 Schubert: Arpeggione Sonata Mendelssohn: Song without words Chopin: Sonata, Op. 65
Sunday 22 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	KREUZBERGER STRING QUARTET New Era Int Concerts	GERMAN WEEK Janacek: Quartet No. 1 "Kreutzer" Haydn: Quartet in G, Op. 76, No. 1 Schumann: Quartet in A, Op. 41, No. 3 £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p
Monday 23 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	ALBERTO PORTUGHEIS piano £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p	Rameau: Suite in A minor Brahms: Waltzes, Op. 39 Mussorgsky: Pictures at an Exhibition
Tuesday 24 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	FIONA DOBIE soprano John Fraser piano CHILTERN WIND QUINTET Worshipful Co of Musicians £2.00 £1.50, £1.00, 60p	Nielsen: Quintet, Op. 43; Danzi: Quintet No. 2, Op. 67; Liadov: 8 Russian Folk songs; R. R. Bennett; A Garland for Marjory Fleming; Poulenc: Deux Poèmes, etc.
Wednesday 25 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	CLIFFORD CURZON piano GABRIELI STRING QUARTET Debenhams Concert Series Harold Holt Ltd	Schubert: Quartet in D minor (Death & the Maiden); Moments Musicaux, Op. 94, Nos. 2 & 4; Impromptu in A flat, Op. 90, No. 4; Quintet in A (Trout) (with Adrian Beers) £3.00 (All others sold)
Thursday 26 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	MICHAEL GOLDTHORPE tenor MARTYN PARRY Harpsichord £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p	Monteverdi: Scherzi Musicali; Frescobaldi: Toccata; Priaulx Rainier: Cycle for Declamation; Handel: Suite; Stuart Ward: The Martyrdom of Stephen; Patrick Gowers: The Seasons of Love (1st perf.), etc.
Friday 27 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	GUNILLA von BAHR flute DIEGO BLANCO guitar £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p Ibbs & Tillett	Paganini: Romanze Andantino variato Sor: Theme & Variations; Santorsola: Sonoridades 1976; Duo Sonata No. 5; Rautavaara Sonata for flute & guitar. Works by Präger, Hahn, Asencio, etc.

WIGMORE HALL TOMORROW at 3.00 p.m.

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Works by DOWLAND, VIVALDI, BACH, CARULLI, DRAGATAKIS, GIORGINAKIS, BROUWER, DUARTE, ALBENIZ.
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The distinguished Polish violinist

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ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

Tuesday 17 Jan. 8 p.m.	LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA James Conlon (cond). Krystian Zimerman (piano); Berlioz Overture Les Francs Juges; Chopin Piano Concerto No. 2 in F minor, Op. 21. Mahler Symphony No. 1 in D. £3.85, £3.30, £2.75, £2.20 (all others sold) LSO Ltd.
Wednesday 18 Jan. 8 p.m.	BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Charles Mackerras (cond). Janet Baker (mezzo-sop) Beethoven Overture and Ballet Suite (Prometheus); Haydn Scena di Berenice; Beethoven Scena and Aria: Ah! Perfido: Schubert Symphony No. 4 in C minor (Tragic) £3.85, £3.30, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65, £1.10 BBC
Thursday 19 Jan. 8 p.m.	LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Bernard Haitink (conductor) Mahler Symphony No. 9 in D There will be no interval during this performance £3.85, £3.30, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65 (only) LPO Ltd.
Friday 20 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	LONDON SCHOOLS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA F. Applewhite (cond) Tcherepnin Fanfare; Britten/Berkeley Mont Juic: Suite of Catalan Dances; Butterworth Banks of Green Willow; Britten Four Sea Interludes (Peter Grimes); Tchaikovsky Suite: The Sleeping Beauty £2.50, £1.50, £1.00 Lond Schools Symphony Orch
Saturday 21 Jan. 6.30 p.m.	LONDON CHORAL SOCIETY English Baroque Orchestra. Leon Lovett (cond.), Felicity Lott, Margaret Cable, David Johnston, Paul Esswood, Stephen Roberts, Handel Messiah (complete and in its original form) £3.50, £3.00, £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 London Choral Society
Sunday 22 Jan. 3.15 p.m.	LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Bernard Haitink (cond) Mahler Symphony No 9 in D. There will be no interval during this performance £3.85, £3.30, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65 (only) LPO Ltd.
Sunday 22 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Andre Previn (cond) Krystian Zimerman (piano) Mozart Serenata Notturna in D, K.239; Rachmaninov Piano Concerto No. 1 in F sharp minor; Strauss Alpine Symphony £3.85, £3.30, £2.75 (All others sold) LSO Ltd.
Monday 23 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	INSURANCE ORCHESTRA Maurice Miles (cond) Ralph Holmes (violin) Mozart Overture, The Magic Flute; Smetana Symphonic Poem, Vltava (Ma Vlast); Dvorak Violin Concerto in A minor, Op. 53; Schumann Symphony No. 3 in E flat, Op. 97 (Rhenish) £1.60, £1.25, £1.00, 75p Insurance Orchestral Society
Tuesday 24 Jan. 8 p.m.	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Kyril Kondrashin (cond) Cristina Ortiz (piano) Balakirev Islamey; Liszt Piano Concerto No. 2 in A; Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 5 in E minor, Op. 64 £3.85 £3.30, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65, £1.10 RPO Ltd.
Wednesday 25 Jan. 5.55 p.m.	PETER HURFORD (organ) Bach Sonata No. 1 in E flat, BWV 525; Fantasie in C minor, BWV 562; Sonata No. 5 in C, BWV 529; O Mensch bewein, BWV.622; (Orgelbuchlein); Sonata No. 2 in C minor, BWV.526; Fantasia and Fugue in G minor, BWV.542 60p (unreserved) Royal Festival Hall
Wednesday 25 Jan. 8 p.m.	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY BBC Symphony Orchestra Charles Mackerras (cond) Szymon Goldberg (vln) Walton Variations on a theme by Hindemith; Hindemith Violin Concerto (Kammermusik No. 4, Op. 36 No. 3); Strauss Sinfonia Domestica £4.00, £3.50, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65, £1.10
Thursday 26 Jan. 8 p.m.	LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Bernard Haitink (cond) Zara Nelsova (cello) Goehr Fugue on Psalm IV; Elgar Cello Concerto in E minor, Op. 85; Symphony No. 2 in E flat, Op. 63 £3.85, £3.30, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65, £1.10 LPO Ltd.
Friday 27 Jan. 8 p.m.	POLISH RADIO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Jerzy Maksymiuk (cond) Konstanty Kulka (violin) Glinka Overture, Russlan and Ludmilla; Mendelssohn Violin Concerto in E minor, Op. 64; Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 4 in F minor, Op. 36 £4.00, £3.50, £3.00, £2.50, £2.00, £1.25 Victor Hochhauser Ltd.

QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL

Today 14 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	SCHUTZ CHOIR OF LONDON London Baroque Players Roger Norrington (cond) Schütz Musicalische Exequien: solo motets £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 Schutz Choir of London
Sunday 15 Jan. 7.15 p.m.	ELISABETH SODERSTROM (soprano) MARTIN ISEPP (piano) Mainly Schubert Series: Schubert; Greig, Sjögren. £3.00, £2.50, £1.50, £1.00 Ingpen and Williams Ltd. Other dates 16, 17, 19, 23 January
Monday 16 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	ALFRED BRENDEL (piano) Mainly Schubert Series ALL SEATS SOLD Ingpen and Williams Ltd. Other dates 17, 19 and 23 Jan.
Tuesday 17 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	JOHN SHIRLEY-QUIRK (bass-baritone) CRISTINA ORTIZ (piano) Mainly Schubert Series Schubert Schwanengesang, D.957; Schumann Dichterliebe, Op. 48. £2.00, £1.50, £1.25, £1.00, 75p Harrison/Parrott Ltd. Other dates 19 and 23 Jan.
Wednesday 18 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	ALFRED & MARK DELLER (c-tenors) R. Spencer, H. Lester, J. Ryan Dartington String Quartet Chris Brown The Harper of Chao R. W. Wood String Quartet No. 3 (1st Lond. perfs); Lute Songs, Solos and Duos by Dowland, Campion, Purcell £2.50, £2.10, £1.80, £1.40, £1.00 Redcliffe
Thursday 19 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	ALFRED BRENDEL (piano) Mainly Schubert Series ALL OTHERS SOLD Ingpen and Williams Ltd.
Friday 20 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	NORTHERN SINFONIA Clifford Curzon, C. Seaman (cond) G. Hulse, C. Lander, Bach Oboe & Vln. Concerto in D minor; Panufnik Sinfonia Mistica; Dvorak Nocturne in B; Mozart Piano Concerto in C minor, K.491 £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p Nth. Sinf. Concert Soc.
Saturday 21 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	LONDON HARPSICHORD ENSEMBLE John Francis (director) Concertos by: Telemann in A for flute, violin & strings; in G for viola; Vivaldi in C for oboe; Bach in A for harpsichord; in F for harpsichord, 2 flutes & strings. £2.00, £1.60, £1.20, 80p Jane Gray
Sunday 22 Jan. 3 p.m.	BERNARD ROBERTS (piano recital) Haydn Sonata No. 48 in C; Dodgson Sonata in C (1975); Chopin Nocturne in B, Op. 62 No. 1; Barcarolle in F sharp, Op. 60; Beethoven Sonata Op. 106 (Hammerklavier) £1.80, £1.60, £1.20, 80p Miss P. Russell
Sunday 22 Jan. 7.15 p.m.	PACO PENA Flamenco Guitar £2.50, £2.00, £1.60, £1.20, 90p Harold Holt Ltd.
Monday 23 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	GUARNERI STRING QUARTET Mainly Schubert Series Beethoven Quartet in G, Op. 18 No. 2; Schumann Quartet in F, Op. 41, No. 2; Schubert Quartet in G, D.887 £3.00, £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 Ingpen and Williams Ltd.
Tuesday 24 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	LONDON SINFONIETTA H. Birtwistle, *L. Berio, **S. Rattle, ***W. Lutoslawski (conductors). Birtwistle Carmen Arcadiae Mechanicae Perpetuum (1st perf); *Berio Differences; Points to Find; **Tippett Songs for Dov; ***Lutoslawski Preludes & Fugue. £3.00, £2.50, £2.00, £1.80, £1.20 Sinfonietta Prod.
Wednesday 25 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	BEAUX ARTS TRIO Haydn Piano Trio in C; Dvorak Piano Trio in E minor, Op. 90 (Dumky); Brahms Piano Trio in C, Op. 87 £3.00, £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, 75p London Artists
Thursday 26 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	GEORGE MALCOLM Harpsichord recital A programme of Scarlatti sonatas £2.00, £1.60, £1.25, 75p Ibbs and Tillett
Friday 27 Jan. 7.45 p.m.	MONTEVERDI ORCHESTRA John Eliot Gardiner (cond) Suite No. 2 in B minor; Bach Brandenburg Concerto No. 2 in F; Handel Concerto a due cori; Rameau Suite from Les Fêtes d'Hebe I £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p Monteverdi Orchestra

PURCELL ROOM

Today 14 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	SONGMAKERS' ALMANAC F. Lott, R. Jackson, G. Johnson with J. Smith, S. Varcoe, Hommage à Francis Poulenc. Please note that Pierre Bernac is indisposed ALL SEATS SOLD Ibbs and Tillett
Monday 16 Jan. 8 p.m.	PHILIPPA DAVIES (flute) JANICE KNIGHT (oboe) GILLIAN THODAY (cello) FRANCIS MONKMAN (hpchd); Musgrave Impromptu; Monkman Logarhythm; Villa-Lobos Assobio a Jato Trio Sonatas by Quantz, Couperin, Telemann £1.00, 75p, 50p Kirckman Concert Society Ltd.
Tuesday 17 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	RICHARD DEERING Piano Recital Beethoven Sonata in A flat, Op. 26; Kabalevsky Sonata No. 3; Williamson Sonata No. 2; Beethoven Sonata in A flat, Op. 110 £1.50, £1.00, 80p Ruth Ticher Concert Management
Wednesday 18 Jan 7.30 p.m.	LAMBETH MUSIC AWARD Prizewinners, David Cowley (oboe) Bryan Evans (piano) David Fuest (clarinet) Timothy Carey (piano) Works by: Bach, Britten, Bowen, Ireland, Weiner, Brahms £1.25, 85p, 60p Lambeth Chamber of Commerce/LARA
Thursday 19 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	KRISTI BJARNASON (cello) Roger Vignoles (piano) Bach Suite No. 3 in C for unaccompanied cello, BWV 1009; Schumann Fantasiestücke, Op. 73; Britten Suite No. 1 for cello Op. 72; Brahms Sonata No. 2 in F, Opus 99 £1.50, £1.20, 90p Helen Jennings Concert Agency
Friday 20 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	NIGEL COXE Piano Haydn Sonata Hob XVI/35 in C; Mozart Rondo in A minor, K.511; Schubert Sonata in B, D.575; Janacek Sonata 1.X.1905; Liszt Au bord d'une source; Aux cypres de la Villa d'Este £1.80, £1.30, 80p Jane Gray
Saturday 21 Jan. 7.30 p.m.	THE DIVINE FLAME A biographical impression of Scriabin based on his letters. Christian Blackshaw (piano) Michael Ferrand (Scriabin) Colin King (Belaieff) Mary Yeomans (Lyubov Alexandrovna Scriabina) Devised by Paul Chand £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 Paul Chand

QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL

FRIDAY 27 JANUARY at 7.45 p.m.

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MONDAY 13 FEBRUARY at 7.45 p.m.

THE NASH ENSEMBLE

SPOHR: Octet in E, Op. 32
GORDON CROSSE: "Wildboy"—Concertante for clarinet, with cimbalom and seven players (Anthony Pay clarinet)
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PURCELL ROOM

Tuesday 24 Jan 7.30 p.m.	MARIA JOSE MORAIS (piano). Bach Preludes and Fugues; Falla and Morais Fantasias; Chopin Sonata in B flat minor; Scherzo 3 and Nocturne. £1.60, £1.20, 90p, 60p Choveaux Management

FRIDAY 10 FEBRUARY at 7.30 p.m.
Piano recital by

JOHN BARSTOW

Prokofiev recital to mark the 25th anniversary of the composer's death in March, 1953
Five Visions Fugitives, Op. 22; Sonata No. 3 in A minor, Op. 28
Five Visions Fugitives, Op. 22; Sonata No. 4 in C minor, Op. 29
Légende Op. 12; Sonata No. 8 in B flat, Op. 84
Tickets: £1.80, £1.40, 90p from Box Office (01-928 3191) Agents and IBBS & TILLETT (Mon.-Fri.), 122/124 Wigmore Street W1H 0AX (01-935 8418)

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

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BERLIOZ .... Overture, Les Francs Juges
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BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Wednesday, 1 February at 8.00 ERICH SCHMID
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Weekend Broadcasting

TV CHOICE

3.10 ITV World of Sport's Mixture as Before formula is given new spice this afternoon with coverage of the world skateboarding championships from Long Beach, California—and Britain is represented. 5.50 BBC1 Jimmy Savile continues to bring a sparkle to the lives of his participants. The stuff that dreams are made of, indeed. 8.30 BBC1 With a cast list ranging from the Wizard of 11 Downing Street to Engelbert Humperdinck, and including the well-known autographer, how can Mike Yarwood (in Persons) go wrong? 10.15 pm ITV The first programme of a series is the easiest and the most difficult. London Weekend's South Bank Show, with Melvyn Bragg hotfoot from the other channel north of the river, is much-heralded, but rightly so. With it, LWT is beginning to add the long-promised arts content to what is already a very creditable bunch of weekend programmes. 10.20 pm BBC2 For some reason best known to themselves, BBC2 chiefs have put Robert Robinson's Book Programme as a counter-attraction. There's daring for you.

Sunday
9.30 am ITV First thing on a Sunday morning may not be the best time to try to get to grips with one's innumeracy, but Yorkshire's Make It Count is much-needed (and one suspects by many primary school teachers also). 7.15 pm ITV The magnificent Cleo Laine joins forces *with Fozzie and his friends on The Muppet* Show, making it even more of a must. 8.35 pm BBC1 It must be difficult deciding who takes the star dressing room when you have Le Mesurier, Julie Covington, Beryl Reid, Peter Bowles, Dandy Nichols. . . . And David Mercer's Flint deserves all of them. 9.25 pm ITV Even if you come in late after Flint, Sir Laurence Olivier's third Best Play of the Year 19— is worth switching to. The year is 1949, the dramatist James Bridie, the stars Sir Laurence, Joan Plowright, Arthur Lowe, the play Daphne Laureola. Witty and sharp.

Iain Redpath

THE WEEK'S FILMS

● Film International returns tonight with Volker Schloendorff's The Lost Honour of Katarina Blum (BBC2, 8.45), adapted from a Heinrich Böll novel about a girl hounded by the yellow press after she is unwittingly involved with a criminal. A somewhat pedestrian treatment, the film enjoyed a lot of success because of its apparent relation to the Baader-Meinhof affair. Before that (BBC1, 6.50) there is The Crowded Sky, whose principal curiosity is as a harbinger of the "Airport" cycle, though its theme of a (hand-picked) random group of characters reaching to imminent disaster belongs to a hoary tradition. Directed by Joseph Pevney, it is the sort of film that should have an all-star cast, but at best can muster only Dana Andrews and Rhonda Fleming.

The best of the week is tomorrow's John Ford-John Wayne picture, Wings of Eagles (BBC1, 1.55). Made in 1957, this was Ford's gruffly sentimental tribute to his friend Frank "Spig" Wead, a naval aviator grounded by a broken neck, who became a Hollywood writer and he scripted Ford's Airmail and They Were Expendable. It is particularly memorable for a caricature of Ford himself by his old-time collaborator Ward Bond. Modish in its own time, after seven years Richard Rush's Getting Straight (BBC2, 10.30) is distinctly a period piece. Late sixties attitudes on everything from political demo to permissive sex are seen through the eyes of a fast-aging dropout (a good performance by Elliott Gould). The Wednesday Film is Bryan Forbes's first work as director, Whistle Down the Wind (BBC1, 7.20), made in 1961 and an attractive little fable about three North Country children who mistake a fleeing criminal for Jesus Christ.

Friday's Sherlock Holmes film, Dressed to Kill (released here in 1946 as Sherlock Holmes and the Secret Code), was the rather shaky tail-end of the Rathbone-Bruce series. The late-night film the same day is The Tiger Makes Out, a nice curiosity that was undervalued on its first appearance in 1967. Directed by Arthur Hiller, it is adapted from Murray Shisgal's two-character comedy about a postman who is startled by the unexpected romantic consequences of kidnapping a young woman, as an act of social vengeance. It is most notable for the comedy playing of the husband-and-wife team of Eli Wallach and the excellent Anne Jackson.

David Robinson

SATURDAY TV

BBC 1

8.50 am, Fingerbobs. 9.05, Canoe. 9.30, Multi-Coloured Swap Shop. 12.15 pm, Grandstand: 12.20, Football Focus; 12.50, 1.30, 2.05, 2.35, Racing from Ascot; 1.10, Skiing, World Cup from Wengen; 1.45, 2.20, Hockey, Rank Xerox Six Nations Indoor Tournament; 2.50, 3.50, Table Tennis, Norwich Union Championships; 3.05, Rugby, Leeds v Workington Town; 4.20, The Sporting Year 1972; 4.40, Final Score. 5.10, New Adventures of Batman.

5.35 News.
5.50 Jim'll Fix It.
6.25 Dr Who.
6.50 Film: The Crowded Sky, with Dana Andrews, Rhonda Fleming, Efrem Zimbalist Jr., John Kerr, Anne Francis, Keenan Wynn, Troy Donahue.
8.30 Mike Yarwood in Persons.
9.00 Starsky and Hutch.
9.50 News.
10.00 Match of the Day.
11.15 Parkinson.
12.15 am, Weather.

Regional variations (BBC 1): BBC WALES: 8.40-9.5 am, Telifant. 12.17-12.42 am, Broadsides. SCOTLAND: 4.55-5.10 pm, Scoreboard. 5.45-5.50, Scoreboard. 10.00, Songs of Scotland. 10.30-11.15, World Cup Sportscene. NORTHERN IRELAND: 2.50-3.30 pm, Cross-Country Running. 5.00-5.10, Scoreboard. 5.45-5.50, Northern Ireland News.

Westward

9.00 am, The Beatles. 9.25 The Lost Islands. 9.55, Cartoon. 10.05, Film. Pirates of Blood River, with Christopher Lee. 11.30, Gus Honeybun. 11.35, Space 1999. 12.30 pm, London. 11.15, Oscar Peterson presents. 11.40, Here Comes the Future. 12.05 am, Faith for Life.

Anglia

9.00 am, Animal Alphabet. 9.10, Cartoon. 9.30, ATV. 12.30 pm, London. 11.15, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 12.00, At the End of the Day.

Scottish

9.00 am, Horses in our Blood (r). 9.30, ATV. 12.30 pm, London. 7.30, Film: Thirteen Frightened Girls, with Kathy Dunn, Murray Hamilton, Joyce Taylor. 9.00, Scotsport Special. 10.00 London. 11.15, Late Call. 11.20-12.20 am, Danger in Paradise.

Channel

12.18 pm, Puffin. 12.30, London. 11.15, Oscar Peterson Presents. 11.40, Weather.

BBC 2

3.00 Film: Forty Guns to Apache Pass, with Audie Murphy. 4.35, Play Away. 5.05, Horizon. The Red Planet. 6.00, Indoor Bowling, Ireland v Scotland.
6.30 Sight and Sound in Concert. Colosseum II and Richard Digance.
7.30 News.
7.45 Public Hearing.
8.35 Film: The Lost Honour of Katharina Blum, with Angela Winkler, Mario Adorf, Dieter Laser.
10.20 Book Programme. Interview with Susan Hill.
10.50 M*A*S*H.
11.35 News.
11.40-1.15 Film: The Conspirators, with Hedy Lamarr, Paul Henreid.*

Border

9.30 am, ATV. 12.30 pm, London. 11.15, Second City Review. 11.45-12.45 am, Fireside Theatre.

Grampian

9.00 am, Scene on Saturday. 9.45, Woody Woodpecker. 10.15, Woobinda. 10.45, Cartoon. 11.00, The Lost Islands. 11.30, Waldo Kitty. 12.00, Captain Scarlet. 12.30 pm, London. 5.15, Cartoon. 5.30, Happy Days. 6.00, London. 7.30, Film: Thirteen Frightened Girls, with Kathy Dunn, Murray Hamilton, Joyce Taylor. 9.00, Scotsport Special. 10.00, London. 11.15, Reflections. 11.20-12.20 am, Frankie Vaughan Show.

Tyne Tees

9.00 am, Survival. 9.30 Hopalong Cassidy.* 11.00, Skilful Soccer. 11.30, Space 1999. 12.30 pm, London. 11.15, The Practice. 11.45, West Side Medical. 12.45 am, Epilogue.

Yorkshire

9.00 am, Rolf Harris. 9.25, Batman. 11.00, Valley of the Dinosaurs. 11.30, Happy Days. 12.00, Calendar Kids. 12.30 pm, London. 11.15, Mary Tyler Moore. 11.45, Play: Honour thy Father.

Ulster

10.10 am, Sean the Leprechaun. 10.20, Baldmoney. 10.35, Beachcombers. 11.00, Survival. 11.30, Sesame Street. 12.30 pm, London. 11.15-12.10 am, Manhunter.

HTV

9.05 am, Master Golf. 9.30, ATV. 12.30 pm, London. 11.15-12.10 pm, Gibbsville. HTV CYMRU/WALES.—As HTV except: 5.15 pm, Cartoon. 5.30-6.00, Sion A Sian. 11.15-12.10 am, Cup Rugby.

London Weekend

8.30 am, Fun Food Factory (r). 8.55, Junior Police 5. 9.00, Our Show. 11.00, Film: Sands of the Desert (1960), with Charlie Drake. 12.30 pm, World of Sport. 12.35, On the Ball. 1.00, World Cup Skiing. 1.10, News. 1.20, The ITV Seven: 1.30, Warwick; 1.45, Newcastle; 2.00, Warwick; 2.15, Newcastle; 2.30, Warwick; 2.45, Newcastle; 3.00, Warwick. 3.10, World Skateboarding Championships. 3.50, Half-time Soccer Round-Up. 4.00, Wrestling. 4.50, Results Service.

5.05 News.
5.15 Celebrity Squares.
6.00 Man from Atlantis.
7.00 Sale of the Century.
7.30 Film: Cast a Giant Shadow (1966), with Kirk Douglas, Senta Berger, Angie Dickinson, Yul Brynner, Topol, Frank Sinatra, John Wayne.
10.00 News and World Cup Draw.
10.15 South Bank Show: Paul McCartney: Songsmith.
11.15 Film: Trilogy of Terror (1975), with Karen Black.
12.35 am, Pro-Celebrity Snooker.
1.20 Epilogue.
(r) Repeat.

ATV

9.05 am, Rolf Harris. 9.30, Tiswas. 12.30 pm, London. 5.15, Man from Atlantis. 6.15, Get Some In! (r). 6.45, Celebrity Squares. 7.30, Film: The Cabot Connection, with Craig Stevens. 8.20, The Telltale Heart, narrator James Mason. 8.30, Sale of the Century. 9.00, The Streets of San Francisco. 10.00, London. 11.15-12.40 am, Film: Nightmare, with Richard Crenna, Patty Duke Astin.

Southern

8.50 am, Weekend. 9.00, London. 12.20 pm, Weekend. 12.30, London. 11.15, Quincy. 12.15 am, Southern News. 12.20, Weather; Epilogue.

Granada

9.30 am, ATV. 12.30 pm, London. 11.20, Second City Revue. 11.45-1.15 am, Film: Gale Sondergaard in The Cat Creature.

SUNDAY TV

BBC 1

9.00 am, Mary, Mungo and Midge. 9.15, The 60 70 80 Show. 9.40, Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan. 10.10, Parosi. 10.25, Get Organized—for Safety's Sake! 10.50, Kontakte. 11.15, The Living City. 11.40, On the Move. 11.50, Your Move. 12.15 pm, Sunday Worship at Pebble Mill. 1.00, Farming. 1.25, Dressmaker. 1.50, News Headlines. 1.55, Film: Wings of Eagles, with John Wayne, Maureen O'Hara, Dan Dailey. 3.40, Young Scientists of the Year. 4.10, Humpty Dumpty on Ice from Empire Pool, Wembley. 5.00, The Countryman.

5.30 News.
5.40 Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm.
6.10 Holiday.
6.40 Songs of Praise from Margam Abbey, Port Talbot, Glamorgan.
7.15 All Creatures Great and Small.
8.05 Only Olivia, with Olivia Newton-John.
8.35 Play: Flint, by David Mercer, with Peter Bowles, Julie Covington, John Le Mesurier, Dandy Nichols, Beryl Reid, Philip Stone.
10.10 News.
10.20 Queen and King. The Edinburgh Festival.
10.55 Film 78.
11.25 For the Love of Albert, part 2: The Emblem.
12.15 am, Weather.

Regional variations (BBC 1): BBC WALES: 1.55 pm, The Countryman. 2.35 Tomorrow's World. 3.00-4.10, Sports Line-up. 5.00-5.30, Twndish. 10.55-11.25, Maes o Law. SCOTLAND: 12.15 pm, Noontidings. 1.00-1.23, Landward. 6.40-7.15, Scots-praise from Craigie High School, Dundee. 10.20-10.55, Seeing is Believing.

HTV

9.00 am, Sesame Street. 1.00, London. 11.30, Skilful Soccer. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, University Challenge. 1.30, Farming. 2.00, Cartoons. 2.15 London. 3.15, Space 1999. 4.15, London. 11.25-12.20 am, Baretta. HTV CYMRU/WALES: As HTV except: 5.15-5.45 pm, Teithiau Geraint.

Westward

9.30 am, London. 11.30, Skilful soccer. 12.30 pm, ATV. 1.15, Master Golf. 1.45, Farm and Country News. 2.15, London. 11.25, An Audience with Jasper Carrot. 11.55, Faith for Life.

Anglia

9.00 am, London. 9.50, Cartoon. 10.00 London. 11.30, Elephant Boy (r). 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Gardening. 1.30, Weather. 1.35, Farming. 2.05, Match of the Week. 3.05, Cartoon. 3.15, Little House on the Prairie. 4.15, London. 11.25, Frankie Vaughan Show. 12.25 am, The Bible for Today.

BBC 2

10.30 am, Open University: Countdown to the OU. 10.55-11.20, The Pre-school Child. 3.40 pm, Money Programme, Can Britain Manage? 4.15, Ski Sunday, World Cup Special Slalom. 5.00, Arena, Cinema. The Force is with us? Star Wars. 5.40, Rugby, Hawick v Melrose.

6.40 News Review.
7.15 The World About Us, wild-life in the Spanish high sierras.
8.05 Kissinger on Communism.
9.25 Benoni and Rosa.
10.15 The Lively Arts. Summer with the Brotherhood of Ruralists, figurative painters.
11.15 News.
11.20-11.40 Caught in Time, Home movie makers of the '20s and '30s—1937 Blackshirts' summer camp.

Yorkshire

9.00 am, London. 9.50, Cuckoo. 10.00, ATV. 11.00, Gardening. 11.30, Farming. 12.00 ATV. 1.00 pm, Calendar Sunday. 1.25, Emmerdale Farm. 2.20, Football. 3.05, Film. Charlie Chaplin—the Funniest Man in the World. 4.15, London. 11.25-12.25 am. Power Without Glory.

Border

9.00 am, London. 9.50, Cartoon. 10.00, ATV. 11.00, In Search of Amelia Earhart. 11.30, Gardening. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Survival. 1.30, Farming. 2.00, Border Diary. 2.05, Cartoon. 2.15 London. 3.15, Emergency! 4.15, London, 11.25-11.55, Electric Theatre Show.

Grampian

11.00 am, London. 11.30, Master Golf. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Gardening. 1.30, Farming. 2.00, Toolkit. 2.30, Celebrity Squares. 3.15, Scotsport. 4.15, London. 6.25, Out of Stress. 6.50, London. 7.45, ATV. 9.25, London. 11.25, Reflections. 11.30-12.00 Maggie and Her.

Tyne Tees

9.00 am, London. 11.00, Indoor League. 11.25, Where the Jobs Are. 11.30, The Beatles. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Inner Space. 1.30, Farming. 2.00, The Amazing Chan. 2.20, Shoot! 3.20, Survival Special. 4.15, London. 11.25, Impact. 11.40, Police Woman. 12.35 am, Epilogue.

Scottish

10.05 am, Credo. 10.30 Friends of Man. 11.00, London. 11.30, ATV. 1.00 pm, Happy Days. 1.30, Farming. 2.00, Mr and Mrs. 2.30, Glen Michael Cavalcade. 3.15, Scotsport. 4.15, London. 6.25, It's the Caring that Counts. 6.50, London. 11.25, Late Call. 11.30-12.15 am, The Jones Boy.

Channel

2.13 pm, Weather. 2.15, London. 11.25, An Audience with Jasper Carrot. 11.55, Epilogue; Weather.

London Weekend

9.05 am, Master Golf. 9.30, Make It Count. 10.00, Morning Worship from City Temple, Holborn. 11.00, All About Babies (r). 11.30, Happy Days (r). 12.00, Weekend World. 1.00 pm, London Weekend Show. 1.45, University Challenge. 2.15, The Big Match. 3.15, Danger in Paradise. 4.15, New Faces. 5.15, Adam Smith (r). 5.45, Just William.

6.15 News.
6.25 Credo.
6.50 Stars on Sunday.
7.15 The Muppet Show with Cleo Laine.
7.45 Film: Carry on Camping.
9.25 Laurence Olivier Presents: Best Play of the Year 1949, Daphne Laureola.
11.10 News.
11.25 London Programme.
12.25 am, Epilogue.
(r) repeat.

ATV

9.05 am, First Steps in First Aid. 9.30, Link (r). 10.00, London. 11.25, Captain Nemo. 11.30, Make it Count: 12.00, Weekend World. 1.00 pm, Cartoon. 1.15, Space 1999 (r). 2.15, Star Soccer. 3.15, Logan's Run. 4.15, London. 7.45, Film: Carry On Again, Doctor. 9.25, London. 11.25-11.55, Andy.

Southern

9.00 am, London. 9.50, Cartoon. 10.00, London. 11.27, Weather. 11.30, Farm Progress. 12.00, ATV. 1.15 pm, Wish You Were Here? 1.45, Gardening. 2.15, London. 3.15, Westside Medical. 4.10, Southern News. 4.15, London. 7.45, ATV. 9.25, London. 11.25, Baretta. 12.10 am, Weather. Epilogue.

Granada

9.30 am, Master Golf. 10.00, ATV. 11.00, Make it Count. 11.25, Cartoon. 11.30, Mr Magoo. 12.00, ATV. 1.15 pm, The Practice. 1.40, Indoor League. 2.10, Kick Off Match. 3.15, Film: Of Men and Women. 4.15, London. 11.25-12.25 am, Baretta.

Ulster

11.00 am, Toolkit. 11.30, Master Golf. 12.00 ATV. 1.00 pm, All About Babies. 1.30, Cartoon. 1.45, Garnock Way. 2.15, London. 3.15, Space 1999. 4.15, London. 6.25, Sunday Insight. 6.50, London. 7.45, ATV. 9.25, London. 11.25, Sports Results. 11.30-12.30 am, Baretta.

Radio

DAVID WADE

Verbambulist

What, I wonder, would that utterly objective observer of human affairs, the Man from Mars, *make of the phenomenon* of the phone-in? Listening recently—and with of course something less than Martian detachment—to considerable slabs of LBC's morning and afternoon sessions (Brian Hayes and George Gale respectively), it occurred to me that the phone-in, certainly in the more or less unguided form in which these two gentlemen conduct it, conveys quite a lot of information about our society and the things it believes about itself.

The first conclusion your Martian might draw is that in this corner of the planet Earth, it is held that everybody has an opinion worth airing on any topic you care to name—irrespective of whether he knows anything about the subject or not. This goes for presenters and callers-in alike, for I suppose that there is no area of knowledge on which Messrs Hayes, Gale and Co can be confident, as they sit down at the microphone, that they will not be called on to deliver a few apposite remarks. One tends to think of this, "Ah well, they're only talking. Anyone can talk". My dear sir, we can all—or most of us—put one foot before the next, but how many can do it on a highwire miles above the ground? For this is a sort of talkers' tightrope that they walk on, these verbambulists, and I saw as much with awful clarity when driving in the direction of Camden Town last week with Mr Gale for company. Suddenly I had a vision of myself asked to take his place—the padded, claustrophobic studio, the silent and demanding microphone: the blood ran cold, a sweat broke out upon the palms and I nearly ran into the back of the bus ahead. From me these people have all the admiration due to one human being from another who cannot imagine how he does whatever it may be.

Admiration should not however blind one to the fact that, if he has the gift of whatever-it-may-be, the average phone-in does not make impossible demands on your professional verbambulist: it is a noticeable part of his technique to be able to get shot of any caller long before that happens—to go straight out of his reply into a time check or simply into the name of the next voice on the line; on LBC the news or the advent of a batch of ads offers a handy sliproad if a conversation looks like plunging downhill out of his control. Your observant Martian would note that simple get-out techniques are used with frequency, most calls last a couple of minutes only and discussion is not permitted to develop even when it might.

Someone would probably have explained to him that the phone-in represented a new advanc participatory broadcasting s this point he might tentati surmise as follows:

(a) Standards of what m constitute participation ra low in this part of the plan though perhaps in line with sibilities for densely popul urban society. Does this gest realism? Or its opposi

(b) Though said to desire p cipation and hence presum discussion most callers show more interest than presenter developing it. Lack of ab to do so? Many callers in seem to be looking for ansv or agreement or a chance make assertions.

(c) What is callers' pay off least presenter is getting p Suspect existence of profo but possibly ill-recognized n for attention and that phon may be only one of sev mechanisms set up to assu it.

In this last respect, and e if he did not always f understand what George G was talking about, this vis might conclude that here is verbambulist whose success the esteem in which his call obviously hold him lie in fact that, if it *is* attention are after, he gives be weight than most. He wo notice in Mr Gale's replie certain directness, suggest respect for if not alw patience with; he might flect that it is sometimes nice compliment to a mudd caller to answer the quest he should have asked, rat *than the one he did.*

When it comes to call questions and remarks general, a man from M might draw some rather couraging conclusions about success of the local educatio system in teaching its produ either to handle the langu efficiently or to get a grasp world affairs. He might a be surprised to hear, with that is spoken about commu cation and the value of talk to each other, how often w one person says, balderd though it may be, remains ab lutely unmodified by the wo of others, even when the words have cut the grou from under it and left it ha ing in mid-air. As I dr down Birdcage Walk the ot day, Mr Hayes had just plained to someone for second or third time that "I land for the Irish" is not platform you can lean up He might have saved breath. Mind you, the Ir question raises problems matter where it surfaces a another was provided by Ulster lady—Catholic, I p sume—who assured Mr Ha that it was "all rigged" a challenged him to say her n There was no point and didn't try, but I wish he had sent her packing in such a to of moral outrage for shouti at him. She had after all ju demonstrated why the Iri question is intractable. A what, I wonder, would the M from Mars conclude from *tha*

SATURDAY RADIO

1
6.00 am, News. Tom Edwards.† 8.03, Racing bulletin. 8.06, Ed Stewart.† 10.00, Kid Jensen. 12.00, Paul Gambaccini. 1.31 pm, Rock On.† 2.30, Alan Freeman.† 5.31, Alexis Korner.† 6.30, Sight and Sound in Concert, Colosseum II and Richard Digance.† 7.30, Top Tunes.† 8.15, Gordon Langford.† 8.30, Victor Silvester and His Orchestra.† 9.30, Radio Orchestra.† 11.02, World Cup Special. 11.20, Alan Dell. 12.31-12.33 am, News.
† Stereo.

2
6.00 am, Radio 1. 10.02, Wally Whyton.† 12.02 pm, Two's Best.† 1.02, News Huddlines. 1.30-5.55, Sport including: World Cup Special; Football League; Racing at Ascot; Cricket; Rugby Union, prospects; 5.00, Sports report. 6.03, European Pop Jury. 7.02, Peter Goodwright. 7.30-12.33 am, Radio 1.

3
7.55 am, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.05, Benjamin, Donizetti, Verdi, Liszt, Rossini. 9.00, News. 9.05, Record Review.† 10.15, Stereo Release: Schubert.† 11.00, BBC Symphony Orchestra: Tippett.† 12.02 pm, John Amis.† 12.55, News. 1.00, Heritage. 1.15, Cello and Piano: Debussy, Mayuzumi, Beethoven.† 2.15, Man of Action: Dannie Abse.† 3.35, Ravel, Brahms, Debussy, *Chausson*.† 5.00, Jazz Record Requests.† 5.45, Critics' Forum. 6.35, Collectors' Corner: Josef and Rosina Lhevinne. 7.05, Operatic Double Bill, part A Gentle Spirit, by Tavener.† 7.5 Judging the Judges, by Lion Daiches. 8.15, Double Bill, part The Soldier's Tale, by Stravinsky 9.15, Kodaly and Richard Strauss 9.50, Interpretations on Recor The role of Otello.† 10.45, Soun Interesting.† 11.25, News. 11.3 11.35, Schubert Song.†

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6.30 am, News. 6.32, Farming. 6.5 Yours Faithfully. 6.55, Weather 7.0, News. 7.10, On Your Farm 7.40, Today's Paper. 7.45, Your Faithfully. 7.50, It's A Bargain 7.55, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.10 Sport on 4. 8.45, Today's Papers 8.50, Yesterday in Parliament 9.00, News. 9.10, Pick of the Week 10.00, News. 10.02, From Our Ow Correspondent. 10.30, Service 10.45, Between the Lines. 11.0 News. 11.2, The Week in West minster. 11.30, Science Now 12.00, News. 12.2 pm, John Amis 12.55, Weather.
1.00, News. 1.15, Any Questions 2.00, Frank Muir Goes Into . . 2.30, Play, A Little Arrangement 3.00, News. 3.05, Does He Take Sugar? 3.35, Radio 3. 5.00, Kaleidoscope Encore. 5.30, Week Ending. 5.55, Weather.
6.00, News. 6.15, Desert Island Discs. 6.50, Robert Robinson. 7.30, Christopher Grier, records. 8.30, Play. The Best Baby. 9.58, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.15, Round the Horne. 10.45, The Thirty Years' Peace, part 2. 11.00, Prayers. 11.15, News. 12.03-12.06 am, Inshore Forecast.

SUNDAY RADIO

1
6.30 am, News. Sam Costa.† 8.00, *Playground*. 8.32, Ed Stewart.† 10.00, Peter Powell. 1.00 pm, Jimmy Savile. 3.00, Anne Nightingale. 5.10, Quiz Kid 78. 6.00, Tom Browne† 7.02, Robin Richmond.† 7.30, Glamorous Nights.† 8.30, Sunday Half-Hour.† 9.02, Best Tunes.† 10.02, Peter Goodwright. 10.30, Don MacLean. 11.02, Sports Desk. 11.05, Jazz.† 12.31-12.33 am, News.
† Stereo

2
6.30 am, Radio 1. 8.03, Dana.† 8.30, Radio 1. 10.02, Benny Green.† 11.30, People's Service. 12.02 pm, Family Favourites.† 1.30, Sacha Distel.† 3.02, David Jacobs.† 4.30, Charlie Chester.† 6.00-12.33 am, Radio 1.

3
7.55 am, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.05, Mozart and the Violin Sonata. 9.00, News. 9.05, Your Concert Choice: Handel, Bach, Villa-Lobos, Arnold. 10.30, Music Weekly.† 11.20, Concert Performances by Toscanini: Mussorgsky, Franck, Beethoven (1953). 11.55, Chilingirian String Quartet, part 1: Tippett, Wood.† 12.25 pm, Words . . . by A. S. Byatt. 12.30, Chilingirian Quartet, part 2: Schoenberg.† 1.10, Athena Ensemble, Rössler Mozart, Berio.† 1.40, Talking about Music.† 2.10, Otello, opera by Verdi: Acts 1 and 2.† 3.25, Reading. 3.35, Otello Acts 3 and 4. 5.00, Piano Recital: Berg, Henze, Janacek.† 5.45, Journal de Mes Melodies.† 6.55, Reith Lectures. Change in British Society by Dr. A. H. Halsey, Part 1: To Know Ourselves. 7.25, Bartok.† 8.00, Play: Wings, by Arthur Kopit.† 9.00, Cantatas: Monteclair, Rameau, Campra.† 9.55, The Elizabethan Years.† 11.10, Song recital: Ibert.† 11.25, News. 11.30-11.35, Schubert Song.†

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7.10 am, Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye. 7.40, Bells. 7.45, Reading. 7.50, Sunday Papers. 7.55, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.10, Sunday. 8.45, Appeal, Chalfont Centre for Epilepsy. 8.50, Sunday Papers. 8.55, Weather. 9.00, News. 9.10, International Assignment. 9.30, Service from Newquay Wesley Methodist Church, Cornwall. 10.15, Miscellany. 11.00, Local Time. 11.30, Money Box. 12.00, Away from it all. 12.40 pm, Letter from America. 12.55, Weather.
1.00, News. 1.40, Instant Sunshine. 2.00, Gardeners' Question Time. 2.30, Play: The Birthday Party. 4.00, News. 4.02, Talking About Antiques. 4.30, The Living World. 5.00, In Touch. 5.15, Down Your Way. 5.55, Weather
6.00, News. 6.15, The Archers. 7.15, Conversation Piece: Eric Laithwaite on his life and work. 8.00, The Planets, by Gustav Holst. 9.00, News. 9.05, The Pickwick Papers. 9.58, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.15, Frank, a portrait of a countryman by Robin Clarke. 10.30, The Dead House, poem by Yannis Ritsos. 11.00, Five Faces of Love. 11.15, News. 12.03-12.06 am, Inshore Forecasts.

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A little less hush, please

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...ichael Ratcliffe



Clive Arrindel and Joan Plowright in **Daphne Laureola**

...ed a new adve... broadcasting ...e might tem... follows: "... never bought anything I ...d more", says the octa... ...arian millionaire, unans... ...ably, of his clever young ... It is a great pleasure, to ...e from the suffocating fak... ...s of *Come Back, Little ...ba* (1950) to discover, for ... first time, the bracing air ... *Daphne Laureola* (1949). ...ely remembered as a ...ous vehicle for Edith ...ns. James Bridie's play ...s out to be a trenchant, ...idly and curiously liberat... ... piece about adult high... ...adedness, about the nature of ...nen's liberty and independ... ..., about the thin crust of ...rtesy on the manners of the ...ld.

...e also offers, among many ...dental delights, an enchant... ...y-funny account of *The ...pest* as seen by a nine... ...r-old child, and a wealth of ...urbing remarks such as ...en have brutality in their ...es. There are no excep... ... *None.*" The discovery, ...hermore, that even human ... have their charms and ...r uses seems a rather more ...able and sophisticated les... ...to preserve from the late ...0s than lines like "Dreams ... funny" and "Gotta keep ...g . . . somehow". *Sheba* is ...odo.

...aphne Laureola (directed ... Waris Hussein) is Olivier's ...h production for Granada ... since a third trio of shows ... apparently not yet been set ... this seems a good moment ... take stock and ask why, ...pite several successes and ...h exceptional talent beside ...vier's, the series has so far ...ed to sustain the excite... ...t or consistency expected ...t.

...ranada are partly to blame. ...is somehow characteristic ...t nobody seems quite sure ...t the project is actually ...ed. Beginning life as "Play ... the year 19–" (whichever), ... idea being that if Lord ...ier said it was "the best", ...nust be, this month it has ...n more accurately pro... ...ed as "Laurence Olivier ...sents" and, where appro... ...ate (*Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*, ...*ba*) additionally *garni* for ... Transatlantic tables as "A Tribute to the American Theatre". Sunset-titles over Quay Street and the skyline of Salford, accompanied by Purcell at his most elegiac, hardly set one on the edge of one's seat. They establish an excessively reverent, not to say sedative, mood. Surely the sun should be *rising* on an enterprise as bold as this?

There has been, I think, a central flaw in the choice or performance of every play except one. The exception was *Saturday, Sunday, Monday*, transmitted on New Year's Day. Alan Bridges entirely reconstructed Eduardo de Filippo's masterpiece to the scale of television, thus rejecting the letter, though never the spirit, of Zeffirelli's famous original: neither Joan Plowright nor Frank Finlay has ever done anything better, and their performances, once more refined after the wear and tear of a West End run, came across superbly.

Of the first season's trio, however, *The Collection* was well played, but an empty piece; *Cat* had a pudding-hero (Robert Wagner) and *Hindle Wakes*, though acted with skill and affection by Donald Pleasence and Rosalind Ayres, made ticker-tape of Stanley Houghton's text and nonsense of his narrative skill. This year William Inge's *Come Back, Little Sheba* proved not only to be a calculating cracker-barrel weepie, but was seriously miscast in both leading roles (Olivier, Joanne Woodward), and miscasting again takes some of the pleasure of discovery off *Daphne Laureola*.

Not all Miss Plowright's vivacity and intelligence make her right for Bridie's lapsed lady bountiful. She is never dull, but the part calls for a *grande dame* at once more romantic and wilder than she: surely it is not confined within the genius of irs original interpreter but well within the range of Geraldine Page, Patricia Routledge, Sian Phillips or Maggie Smith. As the young idealist, the male bully and the omniscient millionaire, Clive Arrindel, Bryan Marshall and (too briefly) Olivier himself are all sharply in focus and help Mr Hussein to make startling good sense of this splendid play.

To sum up. Five of Olivier's first six plays have come from the period 1949-61, when, between his years at the New Theatre and his foundation of the National at the Old Vic, his own commercial career and instinct reached their height; I hope the next three plays are more representative of the century as a whole. Casting: there need be no mistakes. If *Play for Today* and *Play of the Week* can produce faultlessly apt casts, as they currently do, week after week, "Laurence Olivier Presents" should scoop the lot.

The series seems to need firmer literary control. Some sort of ruthless fan (like Tynan in the Sixties) would have prevented the outrage on *Hindle Wakes* and disallowed *Sheba* completely, and, with enough sense of Olivier's true genius could advise him which risks he might take and which he should not. One goodish star part (*Cat*) and one delicious *comprimario* role already seen on stage (in The Filippo) is hardly enough to set against unrewarding appearances in Bridie, Pinter and Inge.

And a little less hush from everybody at Granada, please. This is drama: you're not in church.

PAUL McCARTNEY: SONGSMITH



An interview with Paul McCartney, talking seriously about his songs – how he writes them, and what influences him, filmed while he was recording "Mull of Kintyre", will be the principal item in the first edition of THE SOUTH BANK SHOW a new arts programme edited and presented by Melvyn Bragg.

Other items in the first programme include a first look at Fred Zinneman's latest film, "Julia", starring Jane Fonda and Vanessa Redgrave: a visit to the massive Surrealist Exhibition: and a *preview* of David Mercer's TV play "Flint". Studio Reviewers Germaine Greer and Gerald Scarfe.

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...sidering the amount of work ...t has been quietly going on ...e for the past two years, it ...uld be false to announce ... as the grand opening of ...st London's arts centre. But ... does confirm that Riverside ... in earnest in promising four ...jor productions a year, and ...unches the former residence ...*Dr Who* as an artistic power... ...se the like of which exists ...here else in London. All ...se to Hammersmith council ... finding the money, and ...y other boroughs be shamed ... following suit.

...esplendantly cast, Peter ...'s production is visually ...st as austere as the make... ...t transfer of *As You Like It* ... which he took over the ...ling. The point that emerges ...hat he prefers space to ...r, and the Riverside acting ... presents acres of space. ...ing is simplified to a single ...em. William Dudley's de... consists of narrow lightly ...ed panels which cover the ... and the back wall: com... ...g the suggestion of a ...lous interior with that of ...orchard, and stretching out ... the limitless countryside. ...hat that set declares is that ...ything must be held in pro... ...- a Chekhovian precept ... reflected in the perfor... ...ces none of which over... ...ows its companions. This ...s that big climaxes, like the outcome of the auction, are resisted (never is Michael Elphick's Lopakhin more awkwardly apologetic than in his moment of conquest): and that there are no over-derailed cameos. David Pugh's Epihodov has squeaky boots and a cheerful manner and that is all. Elizabeth Estensen's Dunyasha is a dreamy country girl with no affected genteelisms.

It is a commonplace to recognize Chekhov's characters as egoists: less usual to point out, as this company does, that they do not see themselves like that. This is the quality that illuminates performances like Eleanor Bron's Charlotta, far more a sad outsider than a resident clown; and Leigh Lawson's amiably thick-skinned Yasha, entirely without the usual mannerisms of the uppity valet. It also accounts for the sheer deafness of the family to all appeals to reason; and supplies a powerful emotional lift whenever a spark of affection does pass between these insulated personalities. That is particularly so with Judy Parfitt and Philip Locke as the prodigal heads of the household who are forever parting and caressing others with their hands and voices.

Mr Gill has not fully come to terms with Riverside's wide open spaces, and one could have done with fewer running exits. But he brings about beautiful contrasts between two character scenes and crowds of chain dances and waltzes and extends the action behind the audience with offstage conversation and clicking billiard cues.

A rich treasure

Alfred Brendel
Queen Elizabeth Hall

Joan Chissell

"Death has buried here a rich treasure but still fairer hopes." That well known inscription on Schubert's tomb is quoted by David Cairns in his introduction to the programme-book for the current "Mainly Schubert" series as the root cause of posterity's insistence on regarding Schubert as a simple lyricist who never lived to experience life in depth.

Of all the artists taking part in these concerts, no one is likely to help Mr Cairns refute that view more than Alfred Brendel. As he reminded us again on Thursday in the second of the four recitals he is contributing to the series, it would be difficult to name any pianist alive or dead who does more reading between the lines in Schubert. The miracle of it all is that despite so much searching, so much conscious interpretation of every small detail, Mr Brendel's playing still has the immediacy of discovery. He recreates the music as graphically as if Schubert himself were playing it to his friends for the first time; though of course with a rather better technique.

He began on Thursday with the A minor sonata, Op 42, of 1825, a work which incidentally helps to explain why Schubert never completed the contemporaneous "La Relique" sonata heard from Mr Brendel on Monday. Their first movements are first cousins. Schubert would no doubt have loved the very wide dynamic range and urgency with which Mr Brendel constantly underlined the drama. Whether he would have liked the opening motif, always played so much slower than the rest of the movement, remains a moot point.

The D major sonata at the end of this long programme brought further evidence of Mr Brendel's addiction to elasticity of tempo in characterization, but since it was done with sufficient grace and charm to disguise the not entirely heavenly lengths of this work, only a pedant would complain.

For a centrepiece he chose the four Impromptus Op 90. Those for me were the highlights of the recital. Rarely have I heard them sound more potent, more intense, more mature. Yet they had a marvellous simplicity and inevitability, too. Nor could melody have been more ravishing.

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...h Wales is an area where ...exploitation of child labour ...rit tragic and large into ...strial and social history, ...one had expected that the ...h National Opera, in ...ng Britten's *Let's Make an ...a* for the first time would ... given the humanitarian ...e which runs beneath the ...ce a more pointed expo... The excellent advance kit ...red for the schools who ...de a large proportion of ...udiences does go into the ...er in a thought-provoking ... but the sense of shock in ...discovery of the story of ...ittle chimney sweep is not ... any special meaning on ...

... then, this happens at the ... of the work, and this is ... this production is weak. ... slow to get going. The ...en do not enunciate well, ...re not helped by eccentri... ... of grouping which cause ...limes to be delivered back to the audience and they have little in the way of positive example from their adult professional colleagues. Eric Crozier has adapted his libretto to the Welsh production, but lack of clarity cloaks the point.

When the second half arrives, everything changes. A little magic has been worked in between. It is all rescued by Julian Smith, whose evening this surely is. The moment he starts rehearsing the audience, amiable, inventive and completely in charge, involvement takes over, and the sense of spontaneous and creative fun implicit in the work's title, is all around.

It spreads to the stage, where the children show they can sing and act with animation, Peter Massochi and Mark Hamilton bring Black Bob and Clem to life, and Helen Field as Rowan makes an impact with her short scena.

Sally Day's production is neatly tailored to the small stages which it will visit on tour, and moves well when at last the music prompts it, while Antony MacDonald's sets, similarly economic, are bright and eye-catching.

Less than happy

Pierre Fournier
St John's

Barry Millington

Two pieces from outside the common cello repertoire played by the French virtuoso Pierre Fournier promised a fascinating concert last night at St John's, Smith Square, but in the event neither lived up to expectation.

In *Pièces en Concert*, a concoction by the French cellist Paul Bazelaire of movements by François Couperin and served up for solo cello with string orchestra, M Bazelaire has done for Couperin what Giazotto did for Albinoni, but with less respect for his original. Strangely enough, Bazelaire has not only filled out the texture, supplying contrapuntal lines, imitation and so on according to the lights of his own time (the 1920s), but he has done so in a semi-Italianate manner.

The end product begins in the *Prelude* and *Sicilième*, with overtones of a Visconti soundtrack, and ends like Peter Warlock; not an unpleasant combination, and surprisingly pregnant with sentiment and nostalgia, but little to do with Couperin.

Mr Fournier was eloquent in the *Plainte*, and if his means of expression were not those of the eighteenth century, that mattered less in the Bazelaire (to attribute the *Pièces en Concert* most precisely) than in C. P. E. Bach's Cello Concerto Wq 170. But the Bach was disfigured above all by sheer technical problems and I have no doubt that Mr Fournier was less happy about his performance than anyone else.

The orchestra, St John's regular ensemble, was put through the Overture of J. S. Bach's Suite No 3 in D rather more swiftly by John Lubbock than it could comfortably manage, but there was stylishness to be heard elsewhere, and even more so in the Fourth Suite. Especially fine was the wind playing, in spite of the trumpets' tendency to obliterate the strings, but the Gavotte of the Fourth Suite was exquisitely poised.

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...guitar and the oboe have ...asly limited tonal ranges ...et pieces which made up ...night's programme in the ... Lane Group's "Young ...s and Twentieth-Century ..." series were sufficiently ...e never to make the fact ...vious. "Lullaby for Ilian ...ow" is Peter Maxwell ...'s only piece for guitar ...is a fugitive yet charac...cally sinewy little work ...received a aptly refined ...mance from Darko ...jak.

...clean and clear technique ...confirmed in Michael Blake Watkins's "Solus", which seemed more specifically a guitar piece in that it used the instrument's special techniques and gestures in a more direct way. The thematic ideas were quite varied, however, even if it developed at too great a length.

John Anderson began the oboe part of the evening with a solo "Improvisation" of his own composition, and it proved to be a quirky little piece with isolated high notes and brief rushing phrases. His other unaccompanied work, "Solo" by Denisov, which had its British premiere, seemed in comparison to have little point despite its more up-to-date manners.

In Richard Rodney Bennett's "Sonata" and Attila Bozay's "Tetelpar" Mr Anderson was joined by Trevor Hughes at the piano, and they showed the former to be a well made, but rather low-temperature piece, the latter to be marked by an unduly tortured sensibility.

Both were outclassed by Matyas Seiber's short but highly eventful "Improvisation", and it seemed right that that should receive the best motivated performance.

Mr Petrinjak returned for two guitar pieces, Brouwer's "La Espiral Eterna" and Benguerel's "Versus" (another British premiere), that seemed to be no more than strings of effects, some of them admittedly ingenious. Luckily he ended with an engaging account of some of the Villa-Lobos "Etudes".

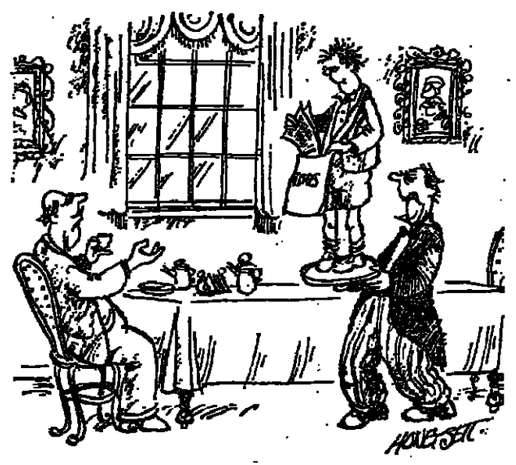
Film about Stevie Smith

The Bowden Production of Hugh Whitemore's play *Stevie*, starring Glenda Jackson, will start filming for First Artists on January 16 at EMI Elstree Studios. Bowden Productions is the company formed four years ago by writer/producer Robert Enders and Glenda Jackson.

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Chess

Fingers crossed

It has now become probable that, failing the intervention of more reds under the beds than the Belgrade hotels can accommodate, Viktor Korchnoi will emerge as challenger to world champion Anatoly Karpov for his title. I must say it is most inconsiderate of Viktor to put so many vexations in the way of the Soviet chess authorities. His progress through the Candidates series of matches has prevented anything like the normal coverage of these events in, for example, the national weekly chess-paper *64*. All that the readers of that paper have been allowed to see is the bare games without comment or description. The only extra piece of information in the Korchnoi-Spassky match is contained in three cryptic words *Schot matcha stal* —2:6 (score of the match was 2—6) and the reader is left to deduce who has what score.

I wonder *how the world* championship match will be reported, and in this respect there arises the question of where the match can conveniently and fittingly be played. What is wanted is a place with a sane, non-political atmosphere and, when you come to think of it, there are precious few capital cities in the world of which it can be said that cool reason holds sway there.

Perhaps, in order to avoid political disputes, one should go to a country in which only one political party *is permitted* to exist. Except for its dissidents Moscow might fill the bill but this might not fit in with the FIDE regulations. These say that it is permissible to hold the match in a country of which both players are citizens. But does Korchnoi count as a Soviet citizen ? I would doubt that. In which case the other FIDE regulation applies. This states that a match may be held in a country of which one player is a citizen providing the other player does not object. I do not *see Korchnoi consenting.*

No, the only capiral I can think of as being full of this sweet and unified reason is Kampala. General Amin would make an ideal chief arbiter and his decisions could be final.

As far as I know, though, Kampala is not preparing to put in a bid for the match. Four cities at least seem to have the intention of so doing. The one that is prepared to put up the most money is the city of Hamburg, where a group of millionaires are prepared to offer no less than DM4m to finance the match. That is about £1m at the present exchange rate.

Undoubtedly such a sum would be acceptable to both contestants. Like every communist that I have known, Karpov has a healthy respect for money. I used to tell Soviet masters that they were now the capitalists among chess-players and that we in the West represented the proletariat. Secretly they were rather flattered by this pseudo-sacrifice. But the *chances of getting the Soviet* Chess Federation's agreement to the match being played in West Germany seem rather remote.

Another city interested in holding the event is London and I understand they intend offering £500,000 for the financing of the match. But at the moment the question of a financial sponsor has not been solved. Naturally, the holding of such an event in this country would do an enormous amount for chess in Britain. One can only cross one's fingers in fervent hope that it will indeed come off.

While I was in Switzerland controlling the Spassky-Portisch match I heard that Lucerne intended putting in for the event. This too would be a most desirable venue and certainly anywhere in Switzerland has the advantage of being neutral and totally impartial.

Another city that intends to apply for the match is Reykjavik. I remember that I was told by the President of the Icelandic Chess Federation that the 1972 Fischer-Spassky match cost them in the end, after receiving their share of the film rights and the entrance fees, about £120,000. But it was worth it, so he said. If ever there was a triumph of hope over experience, this was one. It would be a haunted match with visitations from the ghostly figure of Bobby Fischer.

With his wonderful fighting spirit Korchnoi would make a worthy opponent for Karpov, but I still cannot see any other winner in such an encounter than the present world champion. *To those* who point out what a narrow victory he had when last they met I would say, just look at Karpov's play and results since then. They are those of a true and worthy world champion.

A nice example of his art is the following game that was the second match game in the 1974 event at Moscow.

White : Karpov. *Black :* Korchnoi. Sicilian defence.

1	P-K4	P-QB4	6	B-K3	B-Kt2
2	Kt-KB3	P-Q3	7	P-B3	Kt-B3
3	P-Q3	PxP	8	Q-Q2	0-0
4	KtxP	Kt-KB3	9	B-QB4	B-Q2
5	Kt-QB3	P-KKt3	10	P-KR4	

More vigorous than the normal continuation 10. 0-0-0.

10	...	R-B1	13 BxKt	RxB
11	B-Kt3	Kt-K4	14 P-R5	
12	0-0-0	Kt-B5		

After 10. P-KKt4, Black gets time for a counter-attack starting with 10 ..., Q-R4. The text move is a pawn sacrifice so as to open up the KR file.

14	KtxRP	16 Kt(Q4)-K2	
15	P-KKt4	Kt-B3	

Clearly Karpov must have been well aware of the game Geller - Korchnoi. Candidates Quarter Final match 1971, which ran 16 B-R6, KtxKP ; 17 Q-K3, *RxKt(B6) ; 18 PxR, Kt-B3 ; 19* BxB, KxB ; 20 R-R2, when, instead of 20 ..., Q-R4 Black could have played 20 ..., R-Kt1.

16	...	Q-R4	17 B-R6	BxB

This results in a terrific attack for White ; perhaps the only way Black can play this line is to sacrifice the exchange by 17 ..., B-R1.

18	QxB	KR-B1	19 R-Q3

A subtle move that removes all danger of a sacrifice on QB3.

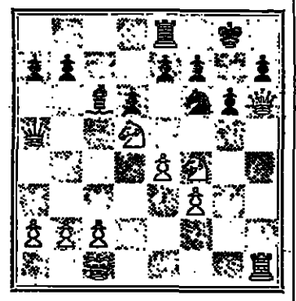
19	...	R(B5)-B4	20 P-Kt5

This diversion of the Rook from the Q side is a beautiful and subtle aid to the attack.

20	R-Q5	RxP	22 KtxR	R-K1
21	R-Q5	RxR	23 Kt(K3)-B4	B-B3

If 23 ..., B-K3 ; 24 KtxB, PxKt ; 25 KtxKt ch, PxKt ; 26 QxRP ch, K-B1 ; 27 QxQKtP and White wins.

Position after 23..., B-B3



24 P-K5

A fine decisive coup and stronger than 24 KtxKt ch, PxKt ; 25 Kt-R5, Q-Kt4 ch ; 26 QxQ, PxQ ; 27 Kt-B6 ch, K2B1 ; 28 KtxR, KxKt ;

24	B-Kt	26 QxRP ch	K-B1
25	PxKt	27 Q-R8 ch	resigns.

Harry Golombek

What should they know of England?

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pass over you in the space of a few seconds. Almost all this is better than British (to say nothing of Irish) weather, and much more accurately prophesied.

The food is described less accurately. Though often reported as "hearty", it is usually bland. Everyone knows the generosity of *American* meat, but few have written about those meals that, beginning with coffee, appear to European minds to proceed backwards. It would astonish most Americans to learn that the glass of melting ice and paper napkin that comprises their traditional *hors-d'oeuvres* baffles many foreigners. Some *people will advise* you to "eat ethnic", but this can be just as difficult as it sounds. In many regions the sandwich is the chief obstacle to eating. Order a steak, roast beef, lamb chops, boeuf stroganoff, some eggs or fish, any class of poultry and you will probably get some salad followed by a sandwich. And if, in desperation, you switch your order to jumbo shrimp cocktail and chocolate peppermint cake, you will still get salad and a sandwich on the same plate as shrimps and cake and melting ice and napkin.

This provokes panic in some travellers. What panics the Americans is wine. Wine is a fearful substance, only to be bought at some places in brown paper. In North Carolina, I was transformed into a leering, shambling, dipsomaniac monster, capable of loping off on a four-mile hunt to track down a brown-paper glass of wine. Elsewhere, in non-dry states, wine is treated with extreme diference. Carried in the bottle as if it were an explosive, it is poured, with agonizing slowness, into tiny sherry glasses to be sipped as a cocktail before the sandwiches.

Eating in restaurants, living in expensive one-night motels, brought me up against the extreme politeness of the Americans. American politeness is *so* polite that it has become one of the *chief causes* of American violence. I had come across a similar paradox in Ireland where they do it on the roads. Irish motorists generally drive with extreme caution, seldom exceeding (even for a red light) 15 miles an hour. Their remorselessness stimulates the few others to feats of extreme recklessness. In a similar fashion, American pornography proceeds from the gigantic rest room of American euphemisms. In England, politeness is a weapon, implanting guilt; in Ireland it has become an alibi, the charming explanation for doing nothing. But *in America, the foreigner is* conscious of being bathed in a milky bath of politeness. It is a push-button politeness, supplied in a few plastic formulas—"Have a nice day", "You're welcome" and so on. This computer-talk, travelling from the airport into the house, has become the language of human beings. And it *drives people mad.*

But scattered through America, often with little knowledge of one another, is a small army of individuals who have resisted this Orwellian outpouring of idiocy, and benefitted from the informality and freedom of the country. It is an army because it is composed of people who are fighting for their own standards, and perhaps those of their children, some students, a few friends. Almost by definition, they do not appear on television or on the front page of newspapers. Often they depend for money on people who understand nothing of what they do or represent. They are given little encouragement and must generate their own enthusiasm. But it is to this private army that a writer should seek to belong. This is his true minority, comprising not (as is so often believed in England) rivals, but allies.

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Collecting

The very stuff of legends

"The Slade, and in particular the teaching of Tonks, gave Augustus the sense of direction he had so far lacked. In such an environment he seemed to know who he was and the part he had to play, so that, whatever successes he gained later in his career, he remained to a certain extent a Slade student - all his life." That is what Michael Holroyd wrote, in his biography of Augustus John, about the influence on John of the Slade School of Art.

John is the artist we associate with the Slade above all; and by transference of his qualities, we tend to think of the school in that heyday as all flamboyance, *bravura* sketches, free love and gipsy Bohemianism. It is wrong picture. In John's time the drawing instruction at the Slade was largely controlled by "those two lean and rock-like bachelors", Frederick Brown and Henry Tonks. They were stern academic masters. (Tonks, a *former* surgeon, made the girls cry with his fierce commentaries: "What is it ? . . . *What is it ?* . . . Horrible ! . . . Is it an *insect ?* ") John had to toil over the casts of Greek, Roman and Renaissance heads, "from morning to late afternoon, day after day". Sexually, the regime was austere. Men and women worked together in the Antique Rooms only and were otherwise carefully segregated. "This is not a matrimonial agency", Brown told Alfred Hayward, a student whom he had observed saying good morning to a girl in the corridor. Models and students were forbidden to converse The John legend and the Slade legend came later: Holroyd shows how.

Drawings and paintings by both pupils and staff of the Slade—many of them works which have been shut away from public view for 35 years—will be on show in an exhibition at the Fine Art Society, 148 New Bond Street, from January 24 to February 17. *But the exhibition is rather* more than that. University College, London, was left money by Felix Slade, a wealthy connoisseur of the arts, in 1871 when the School of Fine Art was set up. University College already had a fine paintings and drawings collection at that date, including Flaxmans from Crabb Robinson's collection, Turners, two De Wints and a David Cox.

The Slade School began to add to this collection, in a desultory way, works by its professors and students. During the war, bomb damage to University College forced the *closure of the collection, since* when all the paintings and drawings have been stored in solander boxes, inaccessible to the public.

But now University College has offered Mary Lightbown, keeper of the college collections, space for showing the works in the main block of the *College—provided she can* raise £41,000 to make it serviceable. Mary Lightbown came to the Fine Art Society for help. They said that, rather than give a direct sum of money, they could probably help best by holding an exhibition of the works so that the public would realise how desir*able it would be to have them* permanently accessible in a new University College Print Room. Such is the show which opens at the Fine Art Society on January 24.

It is called "Treasures from the College and Slade Collections". It will contain some of the important works from the earlier University College Collections, including Turner's "The First Steamer on the Lake of Lucerne", Flaxman's "Supplicants" (an illustration to Aeschylus), studies of four heads for a Passion, attributed to Sigmund Holbein, and Rowlandson's roisteringly naughty sketch, "The Exhibition Stare-Case". The official Slade *representation includes a* "Head of a Bearded Man" by Alphonse Legros, who succeeded Sir Edward Poynter to become the second professor of the Slade.

Opinions about Legros by his former pupils varied dramatically. I doubt that one could find a more polarized pair of viewpoints in art history than the accounts of his teaching methods given by his pupils Will Rothenstein and A. S. Hartrick. Rothenstein recalled:

"It was a stirring event for us students when Legros, once a term at least, painted a head before the whole school. Practical demonstration is unquestionably the *most inspiring method of* teaching. Legros had a masterly way of constructing a head by the simplest means. He worked on a canvas previously stained a warm neutral tone, beginning by brushing in the shadows, then the half-tones, finally adding the broad lights. He had a particular objection to any undue insistence on reflected lights, and this is the part of his teaching I remember most clearly."

And here is Hartrick's view:

"From time to time a special session was held, to which all the students both male and female were called together, in order to see the Professor paint a head from the 'life'. He invariably used a canvas with a background prepared on it with a wash of raw umber and 'turps'. On this ground he rubbed in the main drawing directly with a brush, also in a raw umber, blocking in the main planes and tones rather carefully until the drawing was completely realized in monochrome. Next he worked with solid colours, leaving the shadows for the most part thin and transparent in the umber, while loading impasto in the lights. . . . *This is of course an* old and perfectly sound method of painting in oil colours, but it was also monotonous, heavy and often dull. Some of us had heard of freer and more exciting methods which were being tried in Paris.

Hartrick also recalled how Legros, who would speak only French, was followed round the classes by his assistant, Slinger, who would translate the "master's" comments. "What the Professor said was usually 'pas mal', or something equally colourless; but in correcting the life drawing he had one peculiarity: on the smallest opportunity he cut *down the size of the genitals,* saying, 'Michael Angelo always made them small'." Sickert said of Legros's painting method that it was "almost a model of how not to do it."

Around the "official" Slade works from University College, which are of course not for sale, the Fine Art Society will be showing a number of Slade works from their own stock which *are* priced. They have a head of William Strang by Legros at £400. (Rothenstein considered that Strang was "perhaps the ablest" of Legros's pupils.) And they have a head of Legros by Rothenstein, in lithographic chalk, c. 1897, at £350. Oddly, *the official University College* collection contains no work by Sir Edward Poynter, the first professor of the Slade. The Fine Art Society remedy this by showing a life study by him, at £350—possibly a study for his *Audience in Athens.* Mr Peyton Skipwith, a director of the Fine Art Society, said enigmatically : "A good Poynter is fine; a bad Poynter is a disPoynter." (A joke reminiscent of the old quip: "Not a Titian, I think: a repe-Titian.")

The FAS show also contains war drawings by Tonks, dated "Arras 1918", at £250 each; a 1931 Wilson Steer coastal scene at £350; a Gilbert Spencer, "Nurse and Patient", of 1917 at £450; Spencer Gore's "Interior of the New Bedford" at £425, and a Sickert "Camden Town Murder" drawing at £1,650—a nude woman lying on a bed titled "L'Affaire de Camden Town". Mr Skipwith explained: "There *was* an unsavoury murder in Camden Town, a prostitute; but Sickert, who had been on the stage, always had an eye for a good title. So nude women, sometimes with a clothed man, tended to be given 'Camdem Town Murder' titles."

In 1971, The FAS mounted a centenary exhibition, "The Slade Tradition", with an excellent catalogue introduced by T. A. Cross. Mr Skipwith summarized for me the Slade tradition and gave his opinion as to which artists the beginner collector should go for. Good draughtsmanship is the basis of the tradition, beginning with Poynter and Legros, who were *followed* by the triumvirate of Brown, Tonks and Wilson Steer, who between them virtually ruled the Slade for the best part of four decades from the early 1890s to 1930, in addition to taking over the New English Art Club and moulding its taste in the manner of the English impressionists. Their strict rule produced many brilliant students, partly by example and training, but also in reaction against the triumvirate's antagonism to Post-Impressionism, which caused a serious rift between them and their colleague, Roger Fry.

For the collector of modest means it is from the ranks of the less well-known but still very able students that a rewarding collection can be made—artists such as Adrian Allinson (on whom Mr Skipwith has written an article shortly to appear in *The Connoisseur*), Rodolf Ihlee, Gerard Chowne, A. S. Hartrick, Albert Rutherston and Randolph Schwabe. A good Augustus John, Nash or Spencer could be among the higher peaks of such a collection. "The Slade also contains its rare and tragic talents", Mr Skipwith said, "such as Maxwell Gordon Lightfoot and John Currie, both of whom committed suicide at an early age; J. D. Innes who died of consumption at 27 (of whom a one-man exhibition will be at the Manchester City Art Gallery from March 3: to April 2), Derwent Lees who went mad at 30, and that ill-starred (near) couple Gertler and Carrington. Also, Rex Whistler, who was at the Slade from 1922-26 and killed in the Second World War: his brother Laurence, the glass-engraver, is at present writing his biography.

But other Slade pupils have proved great survivors, including Gilbert Spencer (Slade, 1913-15), Duncan Grant (Slade 1906) and Edna Clarke Hall (Slade 1895-99), to my mind the greatest beauty among all women artists with the possible exception of Suzanne Valladon, the mother of Utrillo.

Another London dealer who has done and is doing a lot to popularize the Slade artists is Anthony d'Offay, of 9 Dering Street, off New Bond Street. Since 1969, he has held one-man shows of William Roberts (Slade, 1910-13), David Bomberg (Slade, 1912-25), Edna Clarke Hall, Spencer Frederick Gore (Slade, 1896-99), Michael Andrews (Slade, 1949-53), Gwen John (Slade, 1894-97), William Coldstream (Slade, *1926-29*), *Nigel Henderson* (Slade, 1945-49), Eduardo Paolozzi (Slade, 1944-47), Vanessa Bell (Slade, 1904), Richard Carline (Slade, 1921-24), and Duncan Grant.

In autumn this year he will hold a centenary exhibition of Spencer Gore (born, 1878). Mr d'Offay will be showing drawings and watercolour designs by Gore, Charles Ginner and Wyndham Lewis for murals in the club where Margaret Morris used to dance, the Cave of the Golden Calf in Heddon Street, London. The club was run by Mrs Frida Strindberg, whom an acquaintance unkindly described as "one of the inspirations of Strindberg's tirades against women in general and married women in particular".

The price-table, prepared in consultation with London dealers, shows the going rate for the most sought-after Slade-trained artists of the earlier part of this century. Instead of dividing it into drawings, watercolours and oils I have divided it into one section covering drawings and watercolours (mainly because drawing just touched with watercolour is typical of Tonks and his pupils), and two oils sections—average to good paintings; and musem-quality paintings. The table must be used with caution because for example a good Sickert could easily exceed £20,000: the prices indicated are, to use a fashionable word, "guidelines".

Bevis Hillier

	Drawings & Watercolours	Average—Good Paintings	Museum-quality Paintings
David BOMBERG	£200-£2,000	£1,000-£3,000	£8,000-£10,000
Spencer GORE	£200-£1,000	£1,000-£5,000	£10,000-£15,000
Mark GERTLER	£300-£1,500	£750-£3,000	£5,000-£8,000
Harold GILMAN	£300-£1,500	£4,000-£8,000	£12,000-£15,000
Thomas Cooper GOTCH	£100-£200	£300-£1,500	£2,000-£10,000
J. D. INNES	£250-£750	£1,500-£4,000	£6,000-£8,000
Gwen JOHN	£500-£2,000	£2,000-£5,000	£10,000-£15,000
Augustus JOHN	£150-£2,500	£1,000-£4,000	£10,000
Derwent LEES	£150-£450	£750-£1,500	£3,000
Wyndham LEWIS	£400-£2,000	£800-£4,000	£10,000
Ambrose McEVOY	£150-£500	£750-£1,500	£3,000-£5,000
Paul NASH	£350-£3,500	£2,000-£6,000	£10,000
C. R. W. NEVINSON	£300-£2,000	£500-£4,000	£8,000-£10,000
William ORPEN	£300-£600	£500-£5,000	£8,000
William ROBERTS	£300-£3,000	£600-£6,000	£12,000
William ROTHENSTEIN	£150-£2,000	£750-£3,000	£8,000
W. R. SICKERT	£200-£2,000	£750-£5,000	£20,000
Matthew SMITH	£150-£750	£1,000-£4,000	£6,000-£10,000
Edward STOTT	£150-£1,250	£500-£3,500	£6,500
Gilbert SPENCER	£150-£750	£450-£2,000	£3,000
Stanley SPENCER	£300-£1,500	£1,000-£5,000	£15,000-£20,000
Philip Wilson STEER	£300-£900	£1,500-£5,000	£10,000-£12,000
William STRANG	£150-£450	£500-£1,000	£2,500
Henry TONKS	£150-£450	£400-£800	£2,000
H. S. TUKE	£150-£500	£500-£2,000	£5,000
Edward WADSWORTH	£200-£500	£1,000-£4,000	£6,000-£8,000
Ethel WALKER	£100-£300	£450-£1,500	£2,000



Studies of four heads for a Passion, attributed to Sigmund Holbein



Stanley Spencer : Scene in Paradise, c.1910.

Drink

Top marks in the wine business

In 1973 Marks & Spencer started selling eight wines in 12 of their stores. They relaunched a range of 21 wines in November, 1974 and now, in 230 of their 253 stores, the range has increased to over 30 *wines, five sherries, port at* Christmas and white and red wine-based Sangrias. In addition to their house wines, they now feature "speciality wines" in selected major stores.

The wines are chosen by a committee. Members try 1,700-2,000 samples a year in the London headquarters. These blind tastings include the very finest wines from top producers and shippers; these, say the committee, which includes some not previously educated in wine, form tor them standards of quality. The blind tastings *are conducted without reference* to prices—only if a wine is approved will its economics come under scrutiny.

Recently I tasted the current whole range of 39 table and sparkling wines. Two characteristics stand out. Each wine makes an immediate impression —it aims to give pleasure, with no lurking possible surprises, and each demonstrates the smell, taste and after-taste of its region, or style. So wine appreciation groups can learn *much from the M & S range ;* beginners get help as regards serving and sources from the labels.

Each M & S branch will have someone to give advice at need. Managers, their assistants and often even the girl who replenishes the shelves and checks code numbers relating to stock age on the labels will have been given some basic wine education. If you should be unlucky with an off-condition bottle, return it and it will be replaced or credited to you, although of course you should detect *the fault before drinking half* the bottle. No quantity discounts can be given—"the discount is in the bottle"—but help should be available for buyers taking cases to car or taxi. Litre sizes are special value, especially for parties, and the screw-topped bottles used for these are liked because they make for easy service and sealing up again.

The firm's Medium White and Full Red (each £1.39 are good general drinking, the white, an EEC product being a very clever blend—aromatic, rounded, clean, pleasant as an occasional drink or with food. The red is a cosy wine, robust enough to stand up to British fare such as cold meat with pickles, mustard or salads, because of its fullish, gutsy character.

The Yugoslav Laski Riesling, the only wine not bottled at source (costing £1.79 the litre), should be tried: the grape is sometimes also known as the Welsch Riesling, different from the Rheinriesling of the German wines, and this example is typical, crisp and lingering—unusual in a cheap white wine. The Vin Supérieur Blanc (£1.90 the litre) is a definite bargain, the steely Sauvignon bouquet filling out to an almost sweet fruitiness, ending in a flick of dryness. I also liked the Moselle, Bereich Bernkastel, QbA (£1.59), which has an almost minty fragrance and, also from this region, is a wine that would be of interest to any wine student—the Wehlener Abtei 1976, QmP (£1.99) —because it is made from the unusual Bacchus grape; the slatey style of Wehlen, the sunny character of the vintage are added to the individual fruitiness this grape bestows.

Pink wines are not to be taken too seriously, but the Cabernet d'Anjou (£1.49) is typical of the Cabernet Franc grape on the Loire in this fruity dry rosé and the Perlant Rosé, slightly fizzy, is pleasant for casual occasions and demonstrates what is meant by the expression "onion skin" as regards its lightly tawny pink colour (£1.45).

The French Vin Supérieur Rouge (£1.90 the litre) is very good, dry, lightish ; the Italian Red Table Wine (£1.59 the litre), with its delicious leafy bouquet, would be good with *rich or greasy food, whereas* the French wine would partner meat dishes of a plainer type.

The special category wines are most attractive, the 1970 Barbera d'Asti seeming outstanding, with its light, intense style, enticing smell and enriched after-taste typical of Barbera. The Rioja in this range is classic as regards smell and taste, the Penedés wine, from Catalonia, rather more subtle and lingering in flavour. Both of them would be good with smoked meats, pies, garlicky casseroles and matured strong cheeses. (All the wines in this *range cost* £1.79 each).

In the "vintage château" section, the 1971 Ch les Demoiselles is excellent compact small-scale claret, close-textured and pretty. The 1975 Ch Pas de Rauzan can be drunk with enjoyment now, but might get even better if kept a few months. The Sauternes, Le Chai du Roi 1973, is remarkable —typical of the region, balanced, so that it is luscious but never sticky ; it would be delicious post-prandial hospitality. (All these wines are £1.99 each).

Marks & Spencer's Champagne, a blanc de blancs (made from only white grapes), is good *value at £3.85. But the* astonishing sparkler here is the Asti Spumante, gorgeously fragrant, elegantly fruity, a wine to delight as an apéritif or accompany fruit ; its stylishness will impress any wine lover—and it costs a mere £1.99.

Pamela Vandyke Price

Bridge

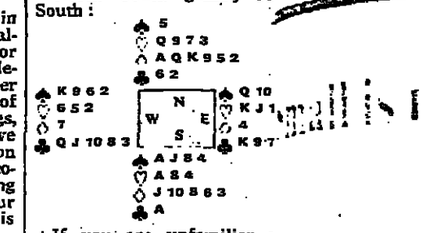
Pair off

I have been out of touch so long with elementary te ing that I learnt only rece that beginners are trained pairs. They are advised there are either good or bids, and that they must ign the large area which lies tween. How they can deve an instinct for distribu solely by counting points to best of their ability no one *attempted to explain : and* way in which the average pl reaches master status is t fined, unless you reckon solely by success at duplicat

There was a time when expert's prowess was asse by his opening leads rather by his bidding. But most l are now standardized an champion is recognized by defensive moves more rea than in any other way. commentators on the f round of this year's world ch pionship were not slow to no that the Americans did stick rigidly to their syst or perhaps I should express meaning more clearly by sp *fying that they occasion* opened on weak hands and not confine themselves to f card majors—at any rate all the leading pairs. change of strategy revealed in tight corners they did lose sight of their princ objectives, namely, to win most possible with good c and to lose as little as poss with poor hands. So I was to find an example when champion opened the bidd not only on an 11-point hand on a four-card suit headed the queen-jack.

Before I quote such an ample of elasticity, it may b well if you reexamine your habits when playing a rub with a strange partner. (A the deal below.

North South game ; de South :



If you are unfamiliar your partner's methods it is going to make a vast differe in the early stages of the tion whether as South you o One Diamond, One Spade One No Trump ; the serious comes later when a slam is the offing. My leaning always been towards open a four-card major in pre ence to a poor five-card mi suit, but that may be due my having played frequently France where there used to a preference for the shorter opening. But since the h will be played in Diamonds the five or six level, the fi contract will depend on the ponses. North may drive partner into Six Diamonds supporting Hearts, eg :

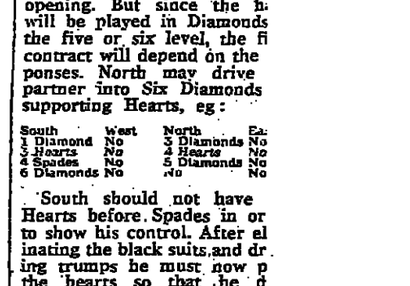
South	West	North	East
1 Diamond	No	3 Diamonds	No
3 Hearts	No	4 Hearts	No
4 Spades	No	5 Diamonds	No
6 Diamonds	No	No	No

South should not have Hearts before Spades in or to show his control. After el inating the black suits and dr ing trumps he must now p the hearts so that he d not lose more than one trick. suggested solution, which pealed to my sense of humo was for South to lead a sm heart towards the ♡Q and wa whether West showed any h tation before playing. Declai had then a better chance deciding whether to play W for the ♡K than if he play the ♡A followed by a sm heart which was one certa way to lose the slam. But the appears to be no reason w declarer should assume East hold the missing honours.

The best answer is that less the declarer can discov that the hearts are divided mo favourably than is actually case here, he must rely on judgment and on the quality *his opponents. If he is comp* ing in a world championship, will probably have nothing cause him worry because t final contract will be eith Three No Trumps or, more pro ably, Five Diamonds. Shou his situation be desperate will play in a slam and w make it if he deduces that t ♡9 will draw an honour fro East who holds the ♡K and mu play away from it (when spad and clubs are eliminated).

In the deal to which I r ferred above, the North Sou pairs were most successful wh opened the bidding and the either played in game doubled their opponents in saving bid.

No score ; dealer South :



South	West	North	East
No	No	1 Spade	Double
4 Spades	No	No	No
Double	No	No	No

Only one North South pai scored 500 on this deal although the best defence does not present an exceptional prob lem. North led the ♠Q to th ♠A and South had to take a awkward decision. He consid ered it too dangerous to under lead his ♡A ; so he played fo safety by leading the ◇J, a declarer would not be able t discard his losing hearts. North won the diamond with the ◇A and rose to the occasion by lead ing the ♡K followed by the ♡2. He obtained his ruff and with it the highest score made at the six tables where this hand was played ; it would not have be surprising if the hands been thrown in.

Edward Mayer

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Travel

The land where East meets West

There are several reasons why I should not write about Turkey as a holiday destination in 1978. The country is suffering from severe economic and political problems. Its currency was recently devalued by 10 per cent and prices are rising in hotels and restaurants. This new year has brought the defeat of Mr Demirel's coalition government.

Yet I do write about Turkey because I believe it is a remarkable country and deserves attention despite its problems. The chances are strong that the International Monetary Fund will intervene (as it did in respect of our own economy) and Turkey's position will improve. It has much to offer the holidaymaker and the mystery as far as I am concerned is that few Britons have discovered its inland and coastal attractions. Its Mediterranean coast just about the last southfacing stretch to remain undeveloped (comparatively speaking) and I would have thought that the British who "discovered" such regions as the Algarve would by now have turned their attention to Turkey's Turquoise Coast.

If you mention Turkey to the average Briton, however, he or she is likely to think in terms of Istanbul—a city which fits a host of tourist cliches, blending east and west with the right kind of travelogue ingredients, and the necessary hint of 007 intrigue. Although Casanova described Constantinople as "a city where boredom is more of a threat to foreigners than the plague", it is quite fascinating and quite irresistible.

On my own visits I have taken in its sights, survived its suicidal traffic and would not hesitate to recommend a short holiday there to anyone trying to decide on a "winter break" destination. Such offerings are currently available—long weekends to various cities—and Istanbul has more than enough to keep you occupied.

If you are thinking farther ahead to a longer holiday during the summer, then Istanbul should occupy only part of your plans. Fascinating though it is, it does not represent the sum of Turkey's appeal.

Time and mobility will enable you to reach the superb archaeological sites of the Aegean and Mediterranean coast regions, the beaches and the developing resorts, and in this respect it is something of a paradox that Turkey, which desperately needs the foreign currency, has not made more of the Turkish Maritime Line's southern cruises. The main route is a 12-day voyage from Istanbul right round the coast to Iskenderun and back again, with ports of call en route and a variety of optional shore excursions.

According to Mr Robin Murray-Phillpson, whose company, Executive Travel Ltd, specializes in holidays to Turkey, only one ship, the 8,800 ton Akdeniz will be operating these voyages in 1978 and cabins are "like gold dust". The TML management hopes one day to replace its fleet with modern vessels and operate the cruises as foreign currency earners. "They must be about the best value for money in Mediterranean cruises," he commented recently, but his brochure bears a very firm cautionary note: if you cannot commit yourself well in advance, then a TML cruise is not for you because these cruises are perhaps the most sought after tourist facility in Turkey and last-minute bookings are simply out of the question.

These voyages are, in any case, more suited to those who wish to sample the coastal region rather than explore it thoroughly. It rewards thorough exploration and a good combination would be to link a week here with five days in Istanbul.

As far as this stretch of coast is concerned, Antalya is one of the chief resorts and also the location of the main airport. Well placed as a centre for touring it has some reasonably good hotels of which the Hotel Antalya is easily the best and used by British tour companies. The town has some interesting archeological sites within its walls, including the superbly preserved Hadrian's gate. Of the neighbouring sites, the Graeco-Roman city of Perge lies a dozen miles to the east and Aspendos some ten more miles beyond that.

Aspendos should certainly not be missed for here is the best preserved ancient theatre in the world. A favourite trick of the tour guides is to have you sit or stand upon the topmost tier of seats while they talk from the stage in conversational tones, or drop a coin to demonstrate the superb acoustics. The theatre is not merely a dead shell, incidentally, but is used each May during the Antalya-Aspendos festival for the performance of classical plays.

A little farther along the coast is Side, the site of an ambitious tourist development plan as well as an ancient city, and the combination promises to be a fascinating one. At the moment Side has few hotels, the Turtel and Cennet/Athena motels being the ones to bear in mind if you are looking for accommodation there. Both are used by British tour companies. The theatre at Side, though not so well preserved as that at Aspendos, is large enough to hold 25,000 spectators. If I had to pick a future winner along this particular stretch of coast, I think it would be Side which impressed me considerably during my visit.

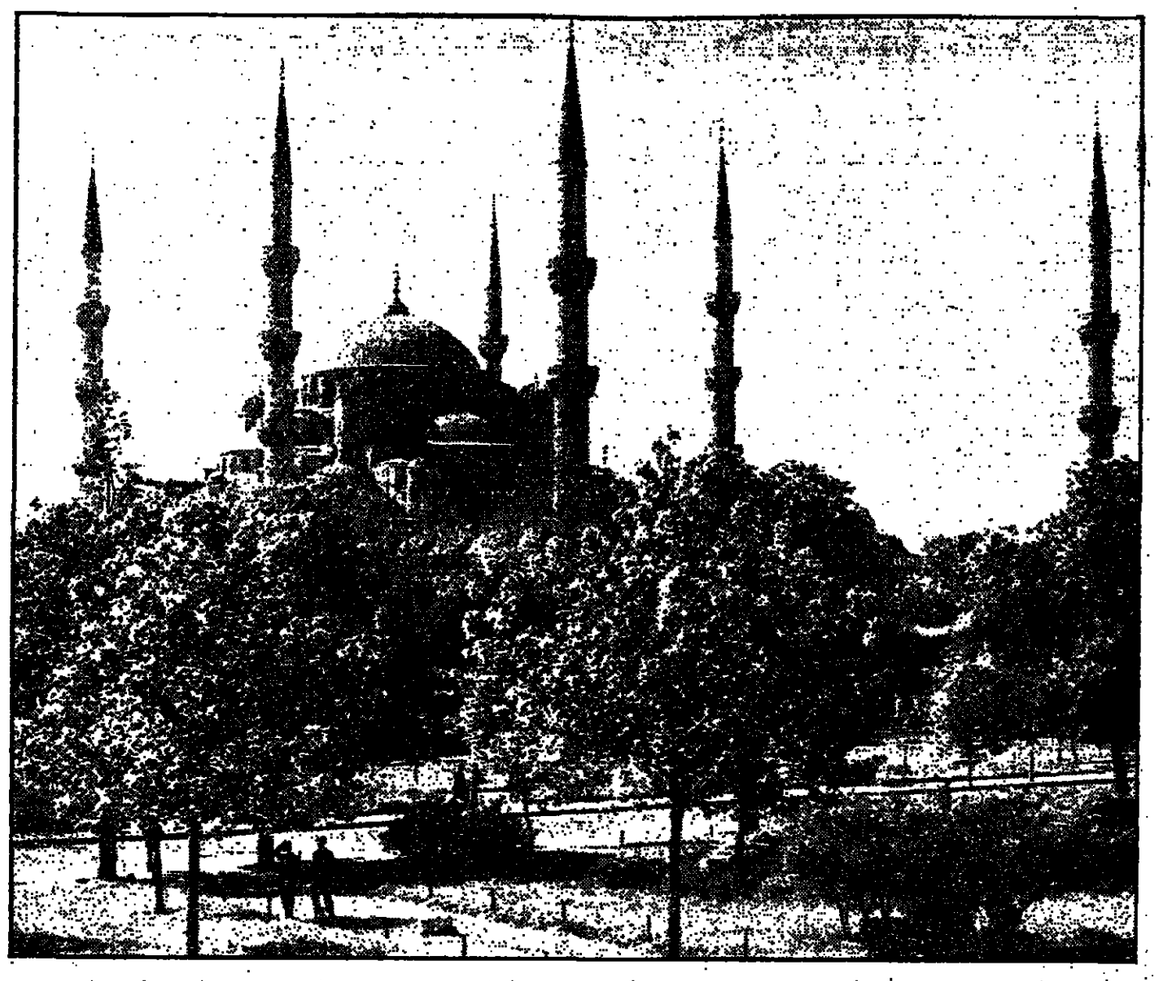
If you are looking for the best sandy beaches along this coast, then you will find them between Silifke and Mersin, much farther to the east. The mountains lie fairly well back from the coast between Antalya and Alanya, so the country is even and extensively cultivated. It is beyond Gazipasa that the coast road starts to twist and climb and afford more spectacular views.

As in all countries, the visitor on an inclusive holiday will be able to take advantage of excursions arranged locally, and such trips are available from Antalya for the independent holidaymaker as well. My comments about the suicidal traffic of Istanbul apply also to the driving standards down south and I would urge you to bear this in mind if you are thinking of hiring a car.

However, the traveller (as opposed to the tourist) ought not to be put entirely off the idea of motoring through Turkey, and the aforementioned Executive Travel Ltd does offer itineraries for such holidays which will take you far into the country. Worth considering, if you have the time to spare and the desire to see the Turkey that lies behind the bustle of Istanbul and the southern coastal strip. Make a point, if you do drive yourself, of getting into the strange and spellbinding world of Cappadocia, which lies in the heart of the Anatolian plateau.

Executive Travel Ltd has its office at 141 Sloane Street, London, SW1X 9BJ. Several other tour companies offer holidays to Turkey and a list of these, along with general information, may be obtained from the Turkish Tourist Office at 49 Conduit Street, London, W1R OEP.

John Carter



Istanbul, The Blue Mosque

Gardening

Small is not so beautiful

Still the seed merchants continue to produce a stream of new flower varieties—most of them little dwarfs. I remember a French friend of mine talking about a mutual acquaintance whose new house we had visited saying "Pauvre Henri, il est plein de gout, tout mauvais"—"He is full of taste, all bad". I feel much the same about the seed novelties—they are charming, no doubt, but mainly dwarf.

The seed growers reasoning is that gardens are small these days so we must have small plants. The weaknesses of this reasoning are that, in the first place there are still millions of reasonably sized gardens and in the second place few gardens have soil as fertile and as well fed as it should be so these little pygmy plants seldom grow to their full potential and we end with having half a tiddly plant.

To be fair we must accept that the really lucrative sales of flower seeds are to the commercial growers who raise plants to send to market. Thus squat, dwarf plants that can be packed as close together as possible in market boxes are in great demand. And, of course, there are now millions of plants sold for tubs, window boxes, hanging baskets and small beds in front gardens in patios or on a terrace. The Britain in Bloom campaign, now linked with France and Belgium in the Entente Florale contest has vastly stimulated the use of such plants and the horticultural industry has not been slow to latch on to this development.

So, if the majority of this year's flower novelties are dwarfs, do not blame my selection. We have, for example, the dwarf perennial delphiniums "Blue Fountains" (1, 3 and 6) which make good cut spikes only 2-2½ft high in all shades of blue, mauve and even white. Seeds are sown like any other delphiniums in spring to flower next year.

One of the most exciting novelties is the annual *Alyssum* "Wonderland" (1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8) which makes low mats of flowers on plants up to 10in across. Their colour is carmine red. It is a pity it arrived on the scene a year too late—it, with white alyssums and blue lobelias would have figured in many a patriotic planting for Jubilee Year. But there will be other occasions no doubt for showing the flag in flowers. This alyssum, incidentally, is the first British seed novelty to win an award—a bronze medal in the Fleuroselect international seed trials.

Another useful dwarf hardy annual is *Convolvulus* "Blue Flash" (3, 5, 7 and 8) which has large rich blue flowers with a white and yellow centre. Many people are frightened to grow these annual convolvulus varieties because they have suffered so much from their pestiferous perennial relatives. But they need not worry; annual convolvulus varieties are not invasive, make neat plants and cause no trouble. Also we are not over rich in blue flowered annuals so *Salvia farmacea* (3, 4, 6 and 8) "Victoria" another medal winner in the *Fleuroselect* trials is also welcome. This half hardy annual has blue-purple flowers from July to October. It is not a dwarf but 18in to 20in high.

Perhaps the most breeding progress in recent years is to be seen in marigolds (varieties of tagetes), petunias and busy lizzies (varieties of impatiens) and with all these plants we now have a goodly selection of FL hybrids to choose from. It is really only a matter of choosing heights and colours that suit your needs. Many people have been pleasantly surprised to find that the busy lizzies which they have known hitherto only as pot plants, tended with loving care by their secretary or the office receptionist are excellent garden plants for sun or shade. The orange flowered varieties, however, should be planted in light shade as their flowers do "burn" in full sun.

Breeding for scent is always a hit and miss affair with any flowers and ever since I was a lad the seedsmen have been struggling to fix a strain of cyclamen that has scent. Now several firms offer fragrant cyclamen (3, 5, 6, 7 and 8). The real cyclamen, scent as found in the wild, in *C. persicum*, is very sweet and pervasive. Incidentally, the silver variegated strains of cyclamen which you may either raise from seed or buy in the florists' shops seem able to endure the overwarm, dry atmosphere of the modern centrally heated home better than the ordinary plain green-leaved varieties.

Several firms I see are offering collections of seeds for various purposes and in the large and beautifully illustrated catalogue Unwins have produced to celebrate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the firm's foundation, Sheila Macqueen, the world-famous flower arranger, has contributed an article in which she lists some of her favourite flowers and illustrates her article with two remarkable photographs. One shows an arrangement of fresh flowers and grasses, the other shows the same flowers but dried and very attractive they both are.

Unwins also include in their catalogue a section on easily grown conifer and shrub seeds. If you are not in a hurry and wish to save a few pounds, a selection of these seeds could be well worth while. Such splendid conifers as *Cryptomeria japonica*, *Juniperus communis* and such lovely flowering shrubs as wisteria, *Cotinus coggygria*, the smoke bush, and *Daphne mezereum*, are also included in the list.

Many people I find do not realize how easy it is to grow very charming cacti from seed—nor do they realize that some of the easiest cacti like mammillarias give gorgeous flowers on quite small plants. A mixed packet of cactus seeds sown in a pot of any good seed sowing compost and stood on a nice sunny warm windowsill should produce a dozen or more plants. The seeds of the different types take different times to germinate, so you just prick off the seedlings when they are large enough and sit back for some more to appear—they may go on appearing for months.

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Roy Hay

The Times Gardening Offer

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These boots were used on Chris Bonington's 1975 Mount Everest expedition and in spite of a 180-mile march during the monsoon period when the tracks for most of the day were, in effect, small streams the members were delighted to find that their feet remained completely dry. More important, however, was that the climbers did not suffer from a single blister when the boots were in use on the approach march from Katmandu to the base camp.

The uppers are made of dark tan grease-impregnated leather. The soles are of PVC material, of the genuine Dr Marten's "air cushion" design which certainly makes for easy walking. The material is resistant to oil, fat, acid, petrol and alkali and the soles are repairable. The boots have a bellows tongue and are fitted with six eyelets. They are offered in full sizes only, 4-5 boys and 6-12 gentlemen (also suitable for women). I am told that ladies' feet are often narrower than men's, so a lady would probably have to wear a thick pair of woollen socks which, after all, is no hardship in cold weather.

Several years ago we offered the Felco Model Three secateur on which one of the handles revolves and we have had many requests to offer this unique tool again. This we are happy to do and, in addition, a new, smaller light-weight model with normal handles which is excellent for less exacting work and ideal for ladies to use.

What is most interesting, however, is that the manufacturers are now giving an unconditional guarantee on these secateurs for five years and, I would think, something unique in the secateur or, indeed, in any other trade, *servicing free of charge including spare parts for life.*

What a nice twenty-first birthday or wedding present! This guarantee does not apply, however, if the secateur is used as a tool of the trade.

The point about the heavy duty secateur is that one handle has a revolving, solid-shaped plastic handle. The effect of this is that it does not rub the skin of your fingers as you do the cutting but rolls over them and so you avoid and blisters or soreness which may happen if you have to do a lot of pruning with ordinary secateurs. It is a secateur for the owner of a large garden with, say, an orchard, or many roses and other shrubs that have to be pruned. It is also ideal for ladies whose skin may be rather more tender than a man's.

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George Hutchinson

The would-be saviours must first save themselves

It is, I think, true to say that since becoming leader of the Conservative Party nearly three years ago, in February, 1975, Margaret Thatcher has commended herself to most people who are not of unyielding socialist persuasion either as supporters of the Labour Party or of the smaller parties farther to the left, the Communists and others. *Most but not all—not even all those who* call themselves Conservatives.

As we know from a succession of by-elections, many former Labour voters have renounced their old allegiance in favour of the Tories, although we cannot yer be sure *of a lasting conversion. Similarly*, the Liberals have suffered heavy losses, and their decline seems likely to continue to a level threatening ruin as a parliamentary force.

In the light of recent trends, Tory prospects in what is *almost certainly an election* year should thus be rather promising. They would be stronger still but for an obstacle—a stumbling block—presented by the party itself, or some of its members.

As we are seeing, and not *for the first time, the Conser*vative Party contains some of its own worst enemies—the fainthearts, the Jeremiahs, often shrill in tone, weak in spirit, trembling at any setback or reverse to their electoral fortunes. Because the economy, *or rather our immediate financial* condition, shows improvement, they are already eulogizing (and misrepresenting) Mr Callaghan as "more conservative and safer" than the Tories, and wondering — aloud — whether we would not do better to settle for a "moderate" Labour government which "knows how to handle the unions" instead of returning the Conservatives. To listen to them, you might suppose that the Tory record is one of irredeemable contentiousness in the sphere of industrial relations. It is not.

This outlook, as I have noted more than once, is particularly prevalent in the City. It is short-sighted and reckless. Carried too far, or even a little farther, it could cost the Tories the election—and, with another defeat and a working majority for Labour, an irretrievable transformation in our *affairs, not least to the acute* personal disadvantage and discomfort of those City "realists" who had helped to bring it about. We could quickly acquire some (I do not say all) of the characteristics of an East European state, with the *imposition of further restrictions*, regulations and controls on private initiative, not to mention the introduction of a wealth tax on personal assets valued at £100,000 and upwards.

The "Callaghan faction" in *the City, now so notoriously* indulgent to the present government, are playing with fire, and unless restrained may engulf the rest of us as well as themselves. For my part, I am more interested in the rest of us.

Speaking for myself, I have no large interests to protect—except the largest of them all, which is freedom from incessant intervention in the lives and liberties of the individual, freedom from an excess of bureaucratic power and the authority of jacks in office, whether elected or appointed. There are many of the same disposition, who do not wish and will not choose to live under *the crushing heel of* swelling officialdom.

But these things will not be prevented — our progress towards them cannot be arrested — while Labour remains in office. Only the Tories can change the course on which Labour has set us.

Although *most* people not of unconquerably socialist convictions seem well disposed towards Mrs Thatcher, this is not true of everyone in the Conservative Party, however. *Not that anybody need be surprised at that, for no leader of* a democratic party is entitled to expect utterly unanimous approval or the complete absence of criticism. There is, nevertheless, overmuch nagging and niggling, overmuch *petty complaint, and (what is* truly dangerous) a remaining element of downright hostility. While it may be said that the public at large have accepted Mrs Thatcher, her Tory detractors—apparently oblivious to her wide popular appeal—are *rendering the party no service.*

Mr Powell, although still a Tory in mind and heart, no longer takes the Conservative whip, and (alas) seems lost to the party for ever. His is an immeasurable loss, for he *retains and will no doubt continue to exercise great political* influence. Mr Heath is in a *different category.*

Edward Heath spent (or endured) five years as leader *of the Opposition before attain*ing the premiership in 1970, a lengthy, testing and trouble-some period which he might not have survived without crippling discomfort but for the unfailingly generous support of his predecessor, Sir Alec *Douglas-Home. Sir Alec was* always at hand to sustain him in moments of strain, ever ready to defend him from his critics—who were more numerous than is sometimes remembered.

Mr Heath has not been able to extend any similar warmth, good will, consideration and co-operation towards Mrs Thatcher. His attitude cannot be anything but hurtful to her, and no doubt she feels it keenly, for Mrs Thatcher is a lady of sensitivity. She has received far more courtesy from her parliamentary opponents, Mr Callaghan and Sir Harold Wilson, than was ever accorded her by Mr Heath. It is very regrettable.

Friends of Mr Heath are *increasingly put out by his refu*sal to uphold Mrs Thatcher as an election draws ever closer. What they are saying, in effect, is that if he cannot be "nice" he might at least attempt some appearance of allegiance. Divergencies of *outlook—for example, on devo*lution or on proportional representation in elections to the European Assembly—need not isolate him from the present leadership as embodied in the Shadow Cabinet, which accommodates a variety of biases, leanings and preferences.

Mr Heath could retain an important influence if he were to ally himself with Mrs Thatcher personally and become once again a thoroughgoing exponent of the broad, basic Conservative interest while the Tories remain in Opposition; and then—given further fortune—as a member of Mrs Thatcher's Administration, perhaps Chancellor of the Exchequer or Foreign Secretary. There are many who could wish for such an outcome.

Outward division, dissension and discord, high or low, is not a recipe for the commanding success, as represented by a good parliamentary majority, to which most Tories reasonably aspire under Mrs Thatcher's leadership. She deserves well of her party—and, I think, of the country.



Farewell

□ With that, dear readers, I take leave of this Saturday column. To my great regret, our weekend engagement must now be broken. Since the column was introduced in 1973, I have received many expressions of encouragement and interest, all deeply appreciated. I thank you for your kindness and your indulgence.

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Why India's 'low-profile' disaster failed to move the world

"If you maintain a low profile it will stop people over-reacting." That kind of pseudo-sagacious gobbledegook has become familiar today. But what do you do when the phrase "low profile" is not an over-worked image almost evacuated of *meaning*, but literally and physically true, and the effect of it is to mute people's reactions distressingly? This is what has happened in regard to the cyclone and tidal wave which hit Andhra Pradesh in southern India on November 19 *last, and the cyclone with conse*quent serious flooding which struck a part of Tamil Nadu some days earlier.

On December 12-14 I toured the worst-affected areas of Andhra Pradesh as one of a three-man team from the World Council of Churches. The other members were Mr Stanley Mitton, the council's emergencies officer, and Dr N. C. Keulemans, an agronomist with wide experience in the Third World, now serving the Dutch Reformed Churches. Mr Mitton said that in seven years going to the world's worst disasters he had seen nothing worse. But despite the close ties binding Britain and India the appeal made here by the Disasters' Emergency Committee (representing the main overseas aid charities) has only slowly climbed to about half the sum achieved for the Guatemalan earthquake in February, 1976. Why?

Many guesses could be made. "Oh, there are always floods in India" may be one reaction, so that the sheer scale of this disaster is simply not grasped. Or it may be that the very shattering of communications that the character of the disaster involved, which delayed any film getting to our television screens, lessened the impact of the appeal made primarily on that medium. Have our minds been so satiated with images that our imaginations remain unkindled without that visual reporting?

But it may be that the basic problem was just that physically it was a low profile disaster. It was the great low-lying coastal plain with hardly a tiny eminence to relieve it that was so vulnerable to the immense tidal wave that swept inland for some 18 miles, and then swept back sucking with it a mass of human beings and animals. You could not take a single picture or even a group of pictures that would encapsulate memorably the scale of the horror in the way that you could with an earthquake.

In fact the full horror of it only came home to our visiting team when we realized that we had been driving hour after hour and were still seeing scenes of total devastation in the area affected by the cyclone —which was far larger than that savaged by the even more destructive tidal wave.

The small factories in this predominantly rural area had all their roofs wholly ripped off, and the inside of them looked like bomb destruction. Reinforced steel joists were bent over like safety pins. Where clumps of tall palm-trees still stood they had usually been decapitated as if by a giant's sickle. The villages had largely collapsed, and only the fact that the homes were of pitifully fragile construction had—in the area affected only the cyclone —reduced the magnitude of the death roll.

In the tidal wave area the absence of even slight prominences in the low-lying land had added to the toll of life. In one village, Koduru, a Baptist pastor led us to his 80-year-old small and simple chapel in which 70 people had been saved, including his own family, by precariously clinging to the rafters while the wave struck the village. Where there was no such possibility of climbing the necessary 20 feet or so above the wave—or where the building was unable to stand the force of the water—many perished. (Demonstrating the force I saw one large sea-going fishing boat standing incongruously on the road five kilometres inland, borne in on the flood of the tidal wave.)

How many died? Government figures have been about 20,000; but many responsible community and church leaders whom we met, while appreciating the government's desire to avoid panic, spoke of figures as high as 100,000. An army of migrants was in the area to harvest the abundant crop which was to be lost under the sea water. How many of them died? How many bodies were swept out to sea with the force of the retreating wave? How many corpses, already putrescent, were hurriedly buried more or less where found?

But the number who died in a disaster is only an index of its magnitude. It is the living who can be helped. Two million were rendered homeless. At least a million were in desperate immediate need of relief. (As we left, the Churches' Auxiliary for Social Action was feeding 100,000 a day, and other agencies were doing that work on a similar scale.)

And in the coming months there is the immense task of leaching the salt out of the soil (to which the agronomist member of our team directed his mind), and of re-housing a multitude, wherever possible providing within the village some secure community building to serve for welfare purposes now and for safety purposes if disaster comes again.

It is not too late for people to react to this low-profile disaster.

Kenneth Slack

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Fred Emery

Getting tuned in to the election wavelengths

When last reporting on elections, in the United States, it was often my lot to try explaining to puzzled and admiring Americans how British politics could make do with a sprint campaign of weeks compared with their wearying years-long marathons. Perhaps, on the evidence of the New Year's first fortnight, the answer is even more clearly that we don't.

Campaign '78 ('79), as their TVs would call it, is on. Anticipation is much discussed at Westminster and it is spreading in Whitehall and certainly causing hasty work in regional party headquarters.

The Prime Minister, returning home today in the early hours, will probably feign his customary innocence of all the twitching antennae. He has confided to others that he would, ideally, like to go all the way into 1979.

But his presidential-style trip to south Asia is seen to have launched a ready-made campaign for all seasons between now and next autumn—adding the benign statesman's image to that of the firm leader at home.

And Mrs Thatcher needed little encouragement to climax her umpteenth Scotrish tour with a powerful rejoinder—which now promises that a future Conservative government, over pay, would get on better with trade unions members than does Labour!

Mr David Steel chimed in with his appealing claim for Liberal credit in his accomplished political broadcast. The other minority parties at Westminster seemed less eager —with Mr Lynch confusing the various Ulster MPs, and the Scottish Nationalists divided over leaping too soon into a campaign.

One reason for this perhaps premature start is that many MPs agree that things are again turning less predictable than they seem, and this stirs pro*fessional nervousness.*

True, Mr Callaghan returns home with things looking pretty good. His holding firm in the face of the firemen's strike, the refusal to do any of the backdoor deals which his knowing opponents six *weeks ago insisted* were unavoidable, has turned out to be a triumph of his Prime Minister-ship.

A Cabinet colleague says that his careful avoidance of name calling while standing rock-firm has encouraged virtually all of them to believe that even a power workers' strike would not be allowed to intimidate the Government. Troops, again, will be used, and occupy the power stations, if they have to.

In general, the belief has strengthened among political managers and observers, that the astronaut's reentry "window" facing Mr Callaghan in the politico-economic firmament cannot be calculated more favourably than in the autumn, when price inflation ought be near its lowest, wages creases having optimum eff and voters serenest.

The Government could hope by then to have met commitment—the passage of Scotland Bill (if not the re endum). It is deemed cru by Labour in Scotland (if by all its MPs there) to be to show that devolution *delivered at last. Considera* is also being given to ha election and referendum on same day.

But will we get that far? the theory that if things that good, then the anal must be wrong, Mr Callag *will* be reviewing everyth that could spoil it. Some of possible upsets belie the pre calm.

First is the Lib-Lab pact the Liberal activists next Sa day defy Mr Steel—and he now deliberately provoked t to a showdown—and vote break off the deal with Mr laghan then the whole fra structure of parliamentary ing could be shaken loose.

Nothing would be a matic. The Liberals, as Thatcher mused last week that intimate sounding r interview, could not be coun upon to vote instantly aga the Government. But Mr S makes clear that without pact there is no point in delaying an election.

Then there is the unpre able effect of those esot seeming parliamentary verses. Mr Michael Foot, whom Mr Callaghan repu counts very heavily, has no ably seemed to lose his prodigious sense for backbe *feeling. The struggle for* Varley's written dealings the British Steel Corpora could make the Governm look inept, at the very le Worse, it could embarrass further underline re-emer splits on the Labour bench.

The left wing are alre split over the priority of sa the steel industry, or of me retaining steel jobs at w ever cost—quite apart f division over giving the He a chance to vote whether Varley should comply or n

Further upsets on the dev tion Bills, or the Europ Assembly Elections Bill are to be ruled out.

Any or several of these combination could argue the attractions of a spring *budget election.*

The other unknowable l ing just ahead is the Ha North byelection. If, as se the more possible of the the Conservatives regain very marginal suburban s new calculations become perative. A heavy swing to Conservatives would reinfo Mr Callaghan's reported ference to stay on to the of the term. Stay tuned Campaign '78 ('79).

Who else but Ian McEwan would put a lover in ape's clothing?

For a writer of always black, often repelling, short stories, Ian McEwan appears a gentle, untroubled man. A lot of people tell him that. He says that when he reads reviews of his stories, with headlines like "perverse and poisonous" he is surprised. He says, disconcertingly, that the nastiness comes from him. But that to *see just perversion in them* is to ignore their compassion, and to deny the blackness that is in us all. "I believe that those who deny it most vigorously are those who have totally identified their social self with their self that wakes by accident at three in the morning and wonders when they are going to die." It is this crack between the two selves, this land of the unconscious made nightmarish by the fact that we force ourselves to believe in a particular way, that Ian McEwan is writing about.

Neither *First Love, Last rites*, which won the 1976 Somerset Maugham Award, nor *In Between the sheets*, published next week, needs justification. The stories they contain are as economically written and compelling as they are chilling, with macabre images and otherwise unalarming things—butterflies, rats—that become menacing and oppressive. Many of the reader's initial naive assumptions are gradually, horrifyingly shown to be quite false: the lover is in fact an ape, the mistress a clothes' dummy.

But because his stories have a strong and often bizarre sexual content, and it is present in all of them, they need understanding. McEwan believes that sexuality contains the price of civilization. "I accept as postulant that the unconscious exists, and that sexual behaviour is to a large extent socially determined behaviour", says Ian McEwan. "I simply don't think we are *born heterosexual de*signed to copulate inside marriage in the missionary position. You have only to be around young children to sense the omni-directional sense of their sensuality."

Ian McEwan started writing short stories while a third year student reading English literature at Sussex University in 1970. Influenced by a Lavisite master at his school, Wolverstone Hall outside Ipswich (his father was an army officer stationed abroad), he had until then seen himself as a future university lecturer. "I had



Photograph of Ian McEwan by Harry Kerr

assumed that the preaching of texts, like being a member of the clergy, was a very splendid *and meaningful business.*"

Reading Kafka and Freud as complimentary texts, at the age of 20, gave him a sudden new interest in himself, and an impatience with qualified and footnoted judgments. None of his early writings (an adaptation for television of Thomas Mann's *Tonio Kroger*, with 30 characters and 300 extras, short stories and radio plays), were used but he kept on writing. At East Anglia doing an MA, he was fortunate in finding Angus Wilson and Malcolm Bradbury, who encouraged him.

During that year he wrote very hard indeed: between 25 and 30 short stories, four of which were to form the basis of his first collection. But short story writers find it *notoriously hard to get pub*lished. Only the fact that the *Transatlantic Review*, and the *American Review* had taken his stories got him into hard covers; even then it was only on the tacit final expectation of a novel. (It is revealing that the dust jacket of his new collection includes the words: "He has recently completed a novel."

Ian McEwan chose short stories because he needed to try out different voices. When he talks of his characters, he speaks of them as independent beings with wills of their own, who reveal themselves to him only capriciously. He liked the form, the demand the short story makes on the writer: "no excess baggage and *nothing* superfluous. I was always interested in rigorous, dense prose where one sentence takes you a bit further and not sideways."

And he wanted different narrators, some of them manic and obsessive, others foolish and arrogant, who embodied "all the disolaced fears, anxieties and fantasies of my own" but which allowed plays of irony, and a certain distance between narrator and author. This distance was important to him. It gave him the means of conveying his compassion, and in any case he could not have sustained the irony for 70,000 words, particularly as he works slowly, unsystematically, allowing his voices to build up sentence by sentence. "I go to immense contortions not to plan. I hope the story will hang together with great structural integrity by being unconsciously formed, and not planned."

His novel, the first out of five attempts that he has actually finished, is narrated by a 16-year-old boy. It is about the distribution of power in human relationships, and particularly within families, "the oedipal strains that threaten family relationships but at the same time cement them". It was written like his short stories, a seven or eight word plan for each chapter and a situation "ripe for the things I wanted to happen", but without the irony and the distancing.

The protective and ironical distancing has in fact been growing fainter in his more recent stories. *Psychopolis*, the story of a young man in Los Angeles, is almost without it, and is, says Ian McEwan, a step in the direction his is now going. He senses that because his novel is a recapitulation and synthesis of everything that interested me in writing *First love, last Rites*, he may now be over wanting to write about what he calls children and adolescent material. More interested now in the "large scale economic forces that order people's lives" he is nonetheless worried about the form his writing will take. "I don't want," he says, "well modulated, sophisticated short *stories or the novelist's equiva*lent."

Ian McEwan is 30 this year, a slight and serious man with round glasses and soft brown hair. He talks as he writes, quietly, using language with accuracy and imagination, but little humour, as if there were no place for it, just at the moment. He lives in Stockwell in south London, in a row of Victorian buildings, heavy and depressing on the outside, but inside made pleasant by what *he has done to his flat*: green walls and carpet, a brightly coloured rug, framed photographs of American Indians, a cast iron open fireplace he found in Brighton. He has a reader's library: Dante, Joyce and Durkheim alongside many paperbacks of poetry and novels, dictionaries, the Oxford Companions to Literature and Music. He plays the flute and there are two guitars in the sitting room. There is a cat. There is also a large communal garden that runs behind the buildings where his girl friend's children play.

He says that he had a happy and free childhood on the beach at Tripoli, youngest of three children by 11 years, with parents who allowed him to go his own way. He has been fortunate in having earned enough money by writing to live since he left East Anglia, with a year in Afghanistan and Pakistan "on the hippy trail", and then several years moving *around Norfolk in search of* peace in which to write. A writers' workshop he took in Iowa last autumn has made him realize that he does in fact have unsuspected and definite views about writing, and about how what he likes is achieved. This assertion is not surprising. Ian McEwan gives out, not a sense of confidence in his own abilities, but a sense of complete rightness about what he is doing.

Caroline Moorehead

In Between the Sheets, by Ian McEwan, is published by Jonathan Cape Ltd, price £3.50.

How two British royal exiles turned up in Hungary

Archaeological excavations in south Hungary are providing tantalizing clues to the Continental odyssey of two English princes who were allotted a key role in Edward the Confessor's desperate plan to keep the crown of England in Anglo-Saxon hands and thus avoid a Norman take-over.

More importantly they shed fresh light on the "missing" exile years of the Aethelings through whom—thanks to a marriage contracted in Hungary, of all places—the ancient House of Wessex became linked to the present British royal family.

The murder plots, chivalrous deeds, royal romances and deep friendships of the exile years of Edward and Edmund Aetheling offer vital new material for a royal *Roots* story which begins in the turbulent years preceding the 1066 Norman conquest.

In spite of their crucial importance for British history—and the roots of the royal family—virtually nothing is now known about the Aethelings' European tribulations or how they escaped the terrible fate of the "two princes in the Tower" after Canute the Dane had their father, Edmund Ironside, murdered and usurped the throne of Wessex in 1017.

The dig at the Hungarian village of Mecseknadasd in search of an ancient church has unearthed the foundations of a chateau in an adjoining area locally known as "the castle-mound" and which is assumed to be the "land of the English Princes", referred to in several medieval Hungarian codexes as "Terra Britannorum".

The available documentary evidence although philologically not yet sufficiently investigated, points to Terra Britannorum being the location of huge estates donated by King Andrew I of Hungary to the exiled Aethelings.

The archeological finds in Hungary appear to tie in with what is now known about the fate of the Aethelings. Even the authoritative reference books of Britain are remarkably short on facts.

The *Dictionary of National Biography*, for instance, confines itself to stating that "Edward and his brother, *Edmund, when yet infants, are* said to have been sent to Sweden". It adds that the princes might have "passed to Hungary before 1038, when King St Stephen died. No trace of the exiles has, however, been found in the histories of Hungary...".

A *closer examination of* medieval chronicles, however, allows to fill in the missing years of the Aethelings' long exile and to establish that Hungary was not the first but the last of a number of European countries to offer succour and refuge.

The drama of saving the lives of the rightful heirs to the English throne in 1017—when Edmund was aged about four and Edward a mere babe—greatly exercised the imagination of chroniclers. According to Florence of Worcester, Canute thought that "it would be a foul disgrace to him if the princes were murdered in England, and he sent them, after a short time, to the King of Sweden to be put to death *there; but although they were* allies, that king was by no means disposed to execute his wishes". So the Aethelings escaped with their lives and their Continental odyssey began.

Geoffroi Gaimar, an early twelfth-century Anglo-Norman chronicler and gossip writer, who collected all the hearsay of his time in his *L'Estoire des Engleis*, provides a good starting point for any historical sleuth wishing to retrace the Aethelings' steps.

A throwaway line in his chronicle, which gives a somewhat stylized account of the events, indicates that the two princes had first sought refuge in Russia.

The Russians themselves have, in their annals, made repeated references to the stay of the Anglo-Saxon princes in Kiev.

Apart from the frustrations of the long years of Kievan exile, the Aethelings's decision to move to Hungary might *have been motivated by the* new Hungarian monarch's promised backing for their claim to the throne of England. Furthermore, it was closer to home.

Although he did not know *the preceding Kievan exile*, William of Malmesbury recorded in his annals that the Aethelings "went to the king of Hungary, where, after being kindly treated for a time, the elder died, and the younger married Agatha, the sister of *the queen (sic)*".

Other medieval chroniclers had one or the other of the Anglo-Saxon princes married to various royal offspring Hungary, but it was Flore of Worcester who got his f right: "... Edmund d there (Hungary); but Edw *married Agatha, a daughter* the brother of the Emp Henry of Germany, by wh he had Margaret, Christina Edgar the Aetheling."

Edward the Exile's th children were born in Hung and the chances are that *excavations* at Mecseknadd *may provide material evide* of the English prince's s there. Tradition has it that bridge in the vicinity *referred to in 13th centu* Hungarian documents as *Ter Pritamnorum de Nadasth* named after Edward's child "the bridge of the thr princes".

Meanwhile, back in Engla events were inexorably leadi to tragedy. Edward the Conf sor, who ascended the thro after the end of the Dani rule, promised his crown William of Normandy as himself had no heirs.

Having learnt, however, th one of his exiled nephews w alive in Hungary, he called f his return in 1054 and se according to *the Anglo-Saxo Chronicle*, Bishop Aeldred bring him back.

Florence of Worcest clearly states the purpose the bishop's embassy: "F the king had determined appoint him/Edward his su cessor *and heir to the crow* but he died at London soo after his arrival."

Thus Edward Aetheling triumphant return from years of Continental exile w cut short by his perhaps n accidental death. But for th *tragic stroke of fate, the No* man conquest might not hav taken place, inviting specul tion about one of the mos crucial might-have-beens o British history.

In fact, Edward the Exile' son, Edgar, was declared b *the desperate thanes King o* England in 1066 after th death of Harold, but he was n match for William the Con queror.

Edward's marriage an sojourn in Hungary is of para mount importance for th royal *Roots* story because through an offspring of hi daughter Margaret—who i better known today as St Mar garet of Scotland—the Stuart became kings of England, link ing the present royal family t *the ancient House of Wessex*. That offspring was Robert the Bruce.

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ON THE SIDE OF FREE TRADE

The rest of the industrial world should welcome the fact that the trade talks between the United States and Japan have ended in agreement. If, as at various stages seemed quite possible, they had broken down, there would have been an immediate marked increase in protectionist sentiment in the United States and elsewhere. In a way, therefore, the agreement is more important for itself than for its content.

The problem is both general and specific. The general aspect is that the whole world is still in the grip of the long recession that dates from the oil price rises of 1973. In these circumstances, with huge over-capacity in industry after industry throughout the world, the forces of protectionism grow daily stronger. The specific aspect is that the huge Japanese economy is now in chronic balance of payments surplus, placing the most severe pressures on those countries that are in deficit, notably the United States.

This has strained Japanese-American relations. When Mr Ushiba visited the United States at the end of last year he was, according to most reports, shocked to discover the extent of hostility towards Japan's trading posture. The Carter Administration has been relatively restrained in its public utterances, but in private and through diplomatic channels has clearly been exerting almost brutal pressure on the Japanese to liberalize their trade. Some observers consider that this pressure, culminating in Mr Strauss's visit to Tokyo, had pushed the Fukuda government to its sticking point. The realization of this fact explains why the eventual agreement between Mr Strauss and Mr Ushiba goes very little further in the way of Japanese concessions than were announced at the end of last year. They were then described by the Americans as inadequate.

This week's events in Tokyo should, therefore, be seen as a holding operation. A rapid deterioration of international trading relations has been avoided. Whether it is the turning point in Japan's trading relations with the rest of the world, as is being officially claimed, will depend wholly on how Japanese policy develops during the next two years or so. Much of the Japanese case is based on the commitment to expand the economy at 7 per cent next year, thus creating a demand for imports from the rest of the world. Scepticism about whether this ambitious forecast will be met is well founded. If the Japanese growth rate is significantly lower than 7 per cent, however, there is every likelihood that the balance of trade surplus will persist at a high level. In that case further direct action by the Japanese Government would be required.

In a more general sense, however, the Tokyo agreement may mark a turning point in the development of world trade. The various domestic pressures for protection have substantially increased the areas of world trade now covered by quotas, restrictive "gentlemen's agreements" and the like. Such moves are designed to help domestic producers and to preserve jobs. The fault with protectionism is that, in helping the producer, it works against the interests of the consumer by reducing choice and raising price. It is important, therefore, that the spread of protection should be contained in each country as much as possible. Further, the system of managed free trade through quotas and other arrangements should be used to work towards a balanced expansion, rather than a contraction, of international commerce. As a small beginning, these Tokyo talks with the Japanese may have shown a constructive way to advance.

NOT BRITAIN'S TO BARTER

An early opportunity will doubtless be given to Mr Rowlands to tell Parliament how much weight is to be attached to reports that he is contemplating the cession of a part of the territory of Belize (the former British Honduras) to Guatemala in return for the renunciation of Guatemala's long-standing claim over the entire territory, a claim entrenched in the Guatemalan constitution since 1945. In December Mr Henry Forde, the Barbados foreign minister, who had been discussing the problem with officials from other Caribbean and Latin American countries, advised publicly against any such cession of land to appease Guatemala.

The Foreign Office naturally denies that any deals are in the making: all that has happened is that Mr Rowlands has continued the discussions which he agreed to continue during his visit to Guatemala in July, following earlier talks in Washington that had failed. It must be assumed that he discussed the Guatemala-Belize problem, in which the Americans have tried to mediate, with Mr Vance, but only Mr Rowlands can say if a change in the frontiers of Belize was one of the possibilities examined.

If a very minor amputation of territory would secure Belize once and for all the removal of Guatemala's persistent threats of military conquest, repeatedly backed by mobilizations which have compelled Britain to rush in troops, it would be worth consideration. For then Belize could proceed to the independence it desires, and which Britain desires it to have, along with virtually every other nation in the world except Guatemala.

It is obviously difficult for a new nation to begin its career by giving up land which it has been assured is its true patrimony for 300 years—and very difficult for an elected government to recommend such a sacrifice. But though Belize is small, its population of only 130,000 could probably make a modest frontier change without effect on its living standards in return for a secure independence that would incidentally help to attract international capital for development.

But everything depends on the view to be taken of Guatemala's trustworthiness. Why should that country in return for a minor concession give up a cause and a claim that has stood it in good stead for 150 years? Its right to Belize is embodied in its thinking and education. Its army, which has been so strengthened by Israeli equipment that it now needs a squadron of Harriers to deter it, largely exists for the day when it can triumphantly march into Belize. Whenever its government becomes unpopular—which is frequently—it can beat the patriotic drum over Belize and the British.

Guatemala is not a democracy, and its constitution, as promulgated in 1965, though noble in phraseology like so many, is hardly the binding legal document of the Constitution of the United States. What one Guatemalan military dictatorship can rewrite, another can rewrite yet again. There is a leftwing feeling which favours leaving Belize alone, envying its institutions which protect human rights, but it could not resist.

It seems to be a permanent temptation to the statesmen of large countries to find solutions for wearisome problems by bartering bits of other people's property for bits of paper, but in large or small cases such bargains repeatedly come to grief. The real safeguard for Belize is that the British Government could not, and would not be allowed to, act in such a matter without the agreement of both Government and opposition in Belize. They have been kept informed of the talks, and Mr Rowlands is pledged to be as careful of local views as he is in the case of the Falkland Islands, claimed in the same way, if less brutally, by Argentina.

It may be assumed that the leaders of Belize know best how far to trust their neighbour. So far Mr Price has taken no chances. He has successfully mobilized worldwide support—the United Nations and the Commonwealth countries—for the right of Belize to exist and the total inadmissibility of the Guatemalan claim. But beyond securing world backing, he has also indicated that before he accepts independence from Britain, he would like, if not a British military presence, an international one in some form. This is not a very trusting attitude, whatever assurances Mr Rowlands may have received in Guatemala.

Spina bifida children

From Miss Moyna Gilbertson

Sir, I refer to recent correspondence on the current controversy over whether or not to treat babies with spina bifida and whether to act on diagnosis before birth. This Association has received some criticism for taking no public part in the discussion, but to date I have constantly been told by representatives of the press and media that this is a purely medical problem. Some of your correspondents do not agree with this view and perhaps the time has now come to widen the discussion.

The question is one of personal ethics and parents and families have the right to expect careful and patient counselling to help them make the decision appropriate for them. This Association exists to support such families, to provide a forum for discussion and a source of accurate information; as well as actively sponsoring research to try to discover the underlying causes of spina bifida.

I would also like to comment on your report of the proceedings in Parliament, January 11, when the Secretary of State for Social Services is quoted as saying that handicapped children are "being admitted for long periods in hospital because there are not adequate facilities in the community". This is only part of the story. There are, in fact, some underused facilities in the community and this Association owns one such: a house registered to take children for short or long term stay. If children are in hospital it is no strain on the local authority purse: and the house is often considerably underused partly because local authorities will not pay the bills. Some children may, therefore, remain in hospital for unnecessarily long periods.

There are many people with spina bifida or hydrocephalus who are living, leading happy and useful lives and their needs should be emphasized, along with the efforts of the agencies which seek to support them.

Yours faithfully,
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From Professor M. J. S. Lancm

Sir, Your headline about "le children die" with spina bi (December 29) was an unfortunat emotional way to introduce a discussion of the management of this difficult problem. Surgical treatment of severely affected babies involves many operations, often two dozen or more without any prospect of alleviating the paralysis of the infant's legs. There will be no prospect of giving the child any bowel or bladder control, and there will be the likelihood of mental defect due to the raised intracranial pressure associated with the defect.

The problem is whether the suffering inflicted in the surgical treatment is justified by the results. No sensible and compassionate doctor would fail to advise parents of the virtues of such treatment if it were justifiable. Sadly sometimes it is not.

Yours faithfully,
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Human rights in Kenya

From Professor David Daiches and others

Sir, We have heard with great concern of the unexplained detention of Ngugi wa Thiong'o by the Kenyan authorities. He is one of the finest writers in Africa, a novelist whose skill, sincerity and integrity have been an important example to others. It alarms us deeply that, soon after the appearance of his latest controversial book, he should be held, whereabouts unknown, for 10 days, in a nation which has sought to distinguish itself by its generous attitudes towards literature and the press. Together with his uncountable readers and admirers all over the world, we are now asking: "Where is Ngugi, and what offences are alleged against him?"

Yours faithfully,
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A MacDonald statue

From Mr Sidney R. Campian

Sir, Exactly a year ago you published my letter pleading for the ... of a statue to the memory ... old who died in 1937, having served as Prime Minister of the minority Labour Governments of 1924 and 1929-31, and also as Prime Minister of the National Government, 1931-35. I called attention to the regrettable fact that nowhere in the United Kingdom was there a bust or statue to this brave leader who, from a poor lad at *Lossiemouth*, became largely by his own efforts a towering national and international statesman.

The letter aroused interest in many quarters. I was interviewed by the press and radio; members of the general public wrote and telephoned me. I recall one letter from a city gentleman who was reared in the Welsh valleys, stating that when his father, a tin worker, heard of Mr MacDonald's death, broke into tears. That was a common experience, and I can be numbered among the many who were similarly affected.

Then a month later came David Marquand's scholarly and massive biographical study of Ramsay MacDonald, from which there clearly emerged one of the outstanding statesmen in the political history of this nation. His decision to put Britain first instead of the Labour Party, thus severing the ties of millions of admirers, called for great moral courage, so often lacking in parliamentary circles. Yet never once during the remainder of his years outside the Labour Party did he deny his Socialist principles. Indeed, his remembrance of them lessened the severity of the hardships imposed at the time to withstand the effect of the "economic blizzard".

In one way or another I assumed that someone in authority somewhere was taking the necessary steps to ensure that the life and work of Mr MacDonald would be publicly commemorated. But I find to my dismay that nothing appears to have been done. Hence, I am renewing my appeal for early preliminary action while those with close personal memories of the man and his labours are still around to assist in any way possible. I would add this, speaking from personal knowledge of Mr Attlee, that were he still with us, he would warmly support this appeal, for while he could not follow Mr MacDonald, he had, no doubt that the action he had taken had been dictated only in an endeavour to serve his country.

Yours sincerely,
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The balance of society

From Mr A. V. Spain

Sir, I congratulate you on your first leader of January 10. The tide indeed needs to turn. However, what is at present so worrying is the evidence that many who could be expected to join in helping turn it are now tending to accept the present political situation as a tolerable enough regime. In so far as there is a general yearning for a quiet life, many are feeling that in recent years they've never had it so quiet. These people are apparently persuading themselves that under the Lib-Lab the country is now jogging along in a comfortable and politically neutral way; that Jim'll continue fixing it whereas Maggie'll most likely bust it.

What seems to be overlooked is that one particular facet of Socialism is steadily, not to say stealthily, being achieved, this being the levelling of incomes—down of course—or put another way, the blunting of differentials. This process will continue so long as we have the combination of inflation with steep progressive taxation, and its effects are felt on the shop floor—hence a lot of the current industrial unrest—and increasingly severely up the executive or professional scale.

Was not Mr Healey once heard to express sympathy for middle management? A fat lot he's done or seems ever likely to do for them, let alone for higher management. There just are not the votes there to be wooed. The only hint one hears currently from the government side is of alleviating the tax burden on the lower paid. A fine sounding sentiment no doubt but only to be attained by yet further aggravation of the differentials problem.

The present system is of course not only unjust but thoroughly foolish, and people who ought to be found in the anti-Government camp when the election comes should not delude themselves that in the absence of more obviously Socialist legislation, the country is being run on nice Conservative lines.

Yours, etc.,
A. V. SPAIN,
80 Burgess Road,
Southend-on-Sea,
Essex.
January 12.

From Mr W. M. Barritt

Sir, Your interesting leader "The balance of society" (January 10) seems to me to make the mistake that there are only two directions we can travel.

I would agree that we have travelled too far on the collectivist authoritarian socialist path, but is the only alternative a retreat to the absolute freedoms of the market place?

I can understand Mrs Thatcher wistfully wishing to return to the early 'sixties of this century, if not the last, but I expected better of *The Times*.

At this point in our evolution we know that our resources are finite and that we will have to find means of limiting the ceaseless expansion of man's activities which are threatening to destroy his own environment as well as that of most other living creatures.

It follows that we have to seek new values in society which will enable us to share and create a good environment for humanity without destroying individualism.

I do not claim to know the answer, but I would suggest that it is more likely to be found in breaking down our complex society into smaller units in which the individual will feel that he can responsibly participate and cooperate than in the devil takes the hindmost approach of the market place, or the collectivist bureaucratic approach of the socialist.

Yours faithfully,
W. M. BARRITT,
The Great House,
Welsh St Donats,
Cowbridge,
Glamorgan.
January 11.

Selling potatoes by name

From Mr A. H. T. Robb-Smith

Sir, Dr McClintock (letter, January 11) is very right that we must know the sort of potato that a particular dish requires, but where is the *thesaurus* to guide us?

A recent article from the National Institute of Agricultural Botany (*The Garden*, 1978.103.10) on "Choice of potato varieties" merely discusses disintegration and discoloration after boiling, and the stringent specifications required by the crisp industry, but gives no indication as to the varieties most suitable for gratin dauphinois or pommes soufflées. Captain Donald Maclean of Crieff is doing notable work in preserving and propagating over 200 of the older and newer varieties, but his list gives no indication of their culinary qualities.

Indeed I know of only one book on cookery or gastronomy, old or new, that has dealt with this subject in any detail and that was Ernest Oldmeadow's little pamphlet *Potatoes to Know and to Serve* (Wine and Food Society, 1943). Perhaps Mrs Elizabeth David, having written so many culinary masterworks, will assume the mantle of de la Reynière called "L'Homère le Virgile et le Cicéron des Pommes de Terre".

I remain, Dear Sir,
Your obedient servant,
A. H. T. ROBB-SMITH.
Chaucer's House,
Woodstock,
Oxfordshire.
January 11.

A Chaplin memorial

From Mr Les Allen

Sir, Mr Williams (January 9) is quite right in assuming that someone will correct him. Not, however, in this instance, about "Portrait Sculpture in Stone". Charlie Chaplin was certainly a Londoner, he was not, however, a cockney.

Yours faithfully,
LES ALLEN,
Middles... Technic,
Queensway,
F...d,
...ex.
J... 9.

The judge and the immigrants

From Mr Obajimi Adefirange

Sir, As a member of a minority group on whom the comments of H. H. Judge McKinnon and the acquittal of Kingsley Read have a direct effect, please permit me to express my views.

Ethnic minorities have always been made a scapegoat for disasters, which they did not precipitate—unemployment, housing shortage, crowded schools and hospitals, etc.

I have hitherto taken consolation in the belief that right thinking British people have not underestimated the contribution which the minority groups from the empire and now the expanded Commonwealth have made to the culture and the advancement of this country.

There is no comparison between a white Australian school boy being called a nigger in the 1920s by his friends, and black people going about their daily work in the 70s, being called wog, coon or black bastard with impunity by complete strangers.

We in the non-white community are expected to accept these stereotyped racial abuses, now condoned and made respectable by the courts, as if we are pieces of stone without feeling.

It is a common experience that racially abusive comments used to pass more freely in a multitude of unexpected places, such as educational establishments, commercial and government institutions, etc, but since the growth in awareness among both blacks and whites their open expression appears to have decreased.

Unfortunately Mr Read's acquittal and H. H. Judge McKinnon's remarks can only serve to reverse this trend and encourage those who are guided by them to put race relations back a decade.

Yours faithfully,
OBAJIMI ADEFIRANGE,
34 Rokeby Road, SE4.
January 12.

From Mr J. L. Oxlade

Sir, For those who seek to maintain a modest degree of informed interest in current affairs, there could hardly be a matter more deserving of accurate reporting by the news media than the remarks of Judge McKinnon last week.

In your issue of January 7 you reported the judge, in indirect speech, as saying that there were people in Britain opposed to the influx of immigrants. Immediately following that you placed in quotation marks, as indicating a literal presentation of what he had said, the words "Goodness knows, we have one and a half million unemployed already and all immigrants are going to do is to occupy jobs that are needed by the local population".

The *Daily Mail*—not, alas, *The Times*—has today published what it presents as the full official transcript of the judge's summing up. In that the passage quoted above appears as "It is claimed that jobs will be lost, that, goodness knows, we have a million and a half unemployed already and that all the immigrants are going to do is to occupy jobs that are needed by our local population."

There is, obviously, a world of difference between, on the one hand, saying that all immigrants are going to do is to take jobs from the local population and, on the other, observing that that is what is said by opponents of further immigration.

Yours faithfully,
J. L. OXLADE,
2 Ridge Park,
Purley,
Surrey.
January 11.

From Mr T. J. Ferguson

Sir, Surely Lord Hailsham's phrase "the hysteria of the race relations industry" is sadly illustrated by the last paragraph of the letter from Professor and Mrs Brent (January 10) in which they hope that the Attorney General will make every attempt to have a man who has been acquitted by a jury tried again and convicted of the same offence by a higher court.

I do not necessarily agree with all the remarks of the judge as reported.

Yours faithfully,
T. J. FERGUSON,
Briarwood, Mayfield,
East Sussex.
January 11.

From Mr Melville Ipe

Sir, If you, Sir, called me a "Nigger, Wog or Coon" and I mugged you, we should both get away with it.

Yours faithfully,
MELVILLE IPE,
Goldsworth Park,
St Johns,
Woking,
Surrey.
January 11.

The 'Cambrian Way'

From Mr Arthur Roberts

Sir, It is not perhaps surprising that the Farmers' Union of Wales is opposed to the creation of a long-distance route from Cardiff to Conwy (see the article in *The Times* of December 31). What *is* surprising is that their published reasons are so poor; they fear that the creation of the route might actually increase the number of visitors to the area! The last thing the Ramblers' Association wishes to do is to make life harder for the upland farmer, to whom we owe so much; but it must be admitted that in financial terms tourism makes the greater contribution to the prosperity of Wales.

The argument that the creation of a well marked right of way would lead to more trespassing and damage to fences is another nonsense. Most trespassing or damage is due to existing paths being very difficult to follow outside the main tourist areas; there are also far too many Welsh hills on which the public still has no legal right to be, despite the provisions of the 1949 National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act. A comparison with the 1:50,000 map of the English Lake District shows a startling difference, for in that area almost every hill has two or three legal paths to the summit, whereas in Wales, apart from the major summits, such rights of way are very rare. It is simply not true that there are adequate paths already in Wales; there is no single summit in Pembrokeshire or the Black Mountain approached by a public path.

We consider it ridiculous, too, to suggest that taking the Cambrian Way over Snowdon or Cadair Idris would cause a significant increase in usage. These hills are climbed by many thousands of ramblers every year, "because they are there". What the long distance route would do is to introduce the walker to the much less well known and less well trodden areas of Central Wales, Powys and Dyfed; and to that extent reduce the congestion in Snowdonia. More power to the arm of the Countryside Commission!

Yours faithfully,
ARTHUR ROBERTS, Chairman,
The Ramblers' Association, Welsh Council,
Tremvy-Foel,
Llandynog,
Denbigh,
Clwyd.

Dr Leavis and Mr Eliot

From Mr Michael Rubinstein

Sir, Dame Helen Gardner has rightly drawn attention (January 7) to T. S. Eliot's wish to recant views he had earlier expressed about certain aspects of Lawrence's thinking.

In 1960 I was charged with the task of seeking statements from Dr Leavis and Mr Eliot, as well as E. M. Forster, Dame Helen and many other possible witnesses for Penguin Books at the forthcoming *Lady Chatterley's Lover* trial. In the event 36 were called to give evidence out of some 72 whose proofs of evidence were in counsels' briefs.

During the trial Mr Eliot sat stoically, with Mrs Eliot, for hours on end in the chill corridors outside the Old Bailey Court, waiting. It had been decided to call him if, but only if, the prosecution had chosen to refer to his 1933 Page-Barbour lectures published in 1934 under the title *After Strange Gods—A Primer of Modern Heresy*: he was prepared to say, after 27 years, "I am not necessarily to be assumed to agree with all my earlier opinions, some of which I now regard as being immature, ill-considered and ... too violent", and so on. The defence decided not to expose him unnecessarily to cross-examination on the subject of his change of mind.

It was not the Judge, therefore, as Dame Helen suggested, who "called a halt to the procession of witnesses". That would of course have been improper and unthinkable unless he had ruled, after the first 36 defence witnesses had given evidence, that the prosecution had completely failed to make out a case to go to the jury (the prosecution in opening had called only formal evidence of publication of the allegedly obscene book). It was a defence decision, effectively that of Lord Gardiner, to halt the procession so as to avoid any risk of boring the jury.

Dame Helen is, of course, right to absolve Eliot from Mr Geoffrey Robinson's charge of "shameful capitulation to the then literary establishment". Capitulation to a literary or any other establishment was not the spirit in which *any* of the potential witnesses I interviewed composed their statements, whether or not they supported the defence in principle.

Dr Leavis, like several other eminent persons, had his reasons at the time for preferring not to give evidence. He might care to disclose them now. But I would not respect him the less if he does not.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL RUBINSTEIN,
6 Raymond Buildings,
Grays Inn, WC1.
January 10.

Farm product prices

From Mr H. R. Evans

Sir, In Cyril Coffin's absence overseas may I take up some of the points made by Professor Winegarten (letter, December 28). The Food Manufacturers' Federation (FMF) is well aware of the problems which exist in the livestock sector—notably with regard to pig production—and Mr Coffin referred to this in his statement. The Federation has also argued on a number of occasions for the correction of anomalies in the calculation of monetary compensatory amounts on these items.

However, the industry is extremely concerned at the likely results of solving these problems by means of a general devaluation of the green pound. This would increase the cost of a wide range of products, many of which are imported into the United Kingdom in large quantities—for instance, wheat, sugar and tomato paste—in order to compensate for anomalies in specific sectors.

Last ... EEC Farm Price Review plus the EEC Commission's current "prudent price policy" demonstrate encouraging progress towards fixing agricultural prices at levels which are more realistic, which are more closely related to market requirements, and which will discourage excessive production.

The behaviour of the inflation rate in the United Kingdom over the next twelve months will be critical in terms of acceptance of wage restraint and the country's ability to compete in export markets, and changes in agricultural prices resulting from either adjustments in the green pound or increases in EEC price levels are important contributory factors in this.

While accepting that there are sectoral anomalies which require correction, any pressure for a general adjustment of the green pound should be judged by the likely effect on inflation.

Yours faithfully,
H. R. EVANS,
Food Manufacturers' Federation Inc.,
11 Castle Lane,
Buckingham Gate, SW1.

Paris ideas for the Underground

From Mr Simon P. N. Rainey

Sir, The opening of the impressive final stage of the Réseau Express Régional (RER) in Paris (for which they had two free days of travel on it to celebrate) and a recent visit to that city prompts me to compare the Métro and the London Underground.

It is easy to list many faults on our side and to heap much praise on theirs but perhaps in a time of public expenditure cuts it is unreasonable to expect the LPTB to spend a vast amount on renovation. Yet in Paris, the RATP spends its money very sensibly. Instead of the all-out policy of "total modernization" (with all its attendant horrors), the station is kept as it is, but is redecorated, new seats and bright, cheerful lighting is fitted, and the sometimes drab white tiles (carrelage) are washed down. This is happening slowly but surely everywhere, in the RATP's proudly proclaimed programme "Renovation de station" with such naively enthusiastic posters (at least to Londoners' eyes) when the work is done as "votre station se fait belle. Maintenant, c'est à vous".

Admittedly we have escalators (which the Métro seriously lacks but work on which is naturally in hand) but they are scruffy and our trains, though much less frequent, are better adapted for rush-hour travel than Paris's "rames", cluttered up with "strapontins" (folding seats), but how much more desirable our grimly lovable Underground could become with a similar policy. Instead of spurious streamlining and demolition, careful, sympathetic (cheaper!) repairs, printing and washing—it *can* be done, a half-hearted attempt was started at Mansion House. Then we, too, can be regaled with posters of happy travellers "le Métro—c'est un sourire": without cynically misstranslating it: "The Underground what a laugh".

Yours, etc.,
SIMON P. N. RAINEY,
Corpus Christi College,
Cambridge.
January 11.

The Churchill portrait

From Mr Michael Barsley

Sir, So the Churchill portrait was not confined to the dungeons of Dover Castle, as some of us thought. I could never understand why, when I produced the special "Panorama" programme on BBC Television, on the night of his retirement in 1955 (a broadcast of some interest since there were, I'm afraid, Sir, no newspapers at the time), I was not allowed to present the Sutherland picture, though the programme was able to carry the otherwise "lost" cartoons of Vicky, Illingworth, and Cummings.

However, one of the guest speakers with Malcolm Muggeridge that night was the late Randolph Churchill, discussing his father (and being rung up by him afterwards). I believe it was from Randolph Churchill, or from one of the private secretaries, that I first heard mention of Dover Castle as the painting's final resting place. Maybe that was just a joke to put us off the scent. Maybe, I now reflect, the "deed of dreadful note" has already been done.

I am, Sir, Yours, etc.,
MICHAEL BARSLEY,
60 Southmoor Road,
Oxford.
January 12.

Hardy's birthplace

From Mr Heinz Ohff

Sir, I have appreciated very much the article on T. E. Lawrence and Thomas Hardy by H. Montgomery Hyde. Hardy, however, was born in Higher Bockhampton, Dorset, not in Stinsford where his heart was buried. My wife and I have toured beautiful Dorset last year following the footsteps of the great English novelist and poet (there is no comparison in German literature to a man like Thomas Hardy, who was a *Heimatschriftsteller* but by no means a reactionary). From Higher Bockhampton to Stinsford it was a unforgettable walk of three quarters of an hour through Thomas Hardy country.

I am, yours,
HEINZ OHFF,
Jenaer Strasse 17,
D 1000 Berlin 31.
January 3.

Sir Oswald Mosley

From Sir Oswald Mosley

Sir, Some recent statements in your columns concerning me and my friend are at variance with fact on public record. We were detained without charge or trial for five years to prevent us persuading the British people to make peace at some of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings ever held in our country (Hansard 10.12.1940.) These meetings were after the war began, like Lloyd George's meetings in the Boer War, but the record assembly in Earls Court occurred in July 1939 during the period when we were again erroneously stated to be in collapse after polling 23 per cent in a householders' vote in East London.

There was no popular uprising on our release from prison. The Communist Party canvassed all our neighbours in an Oxfordshire village without getting a single signature to put us back.

Yours truly,
OSWALD MOSLEY,
1 Rue Des Lacs,
Orsay,
France.
January 11.

Apron or bib?

From Lady Artemus-Jones

Sir, I have in my possession a small silver gadget, inherited from an elderly man of fastidious habits which by a simple sliding technique clips a corner of the table napkin to the collar. Can such an object be found today?

Yours faithfully,
MILDRED ARTEMUS-JONES,
Bryn Gwyn,
Bangor,
Gwynedd.
January 10.

SOCIAL NEWS

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will give garden parties at Buckingham Palace on July 18, 20 and 25 and at the Palace of Holyroodhouse on July 6.

Princess Alexandra will dine at Clothworkers' Hall on the occasion of the 450th anniversary of the incorporation of the Clothworkers' Company, January 18.

Princess Alexandra, as President, will visit Queen Alexandra's House, the hostel at Kensington Gore for young woman students, on January 26.

Prince and Princess Andrew of Russia were unavoidably prevented from attending the memorial service for Lady Zia Wernher.

Birthdays today

Professor Sir Melville Arnott, 69; Sir Cecil Beaton, 74; Baroness Brooke of Ystradfellte, 70; Lord Atto, 55; Sir Neil Pritchard, 67; Sir Percy Rugg, 72; Sir Frederic Sellers, 85; Dr Solomon Wand, 79.

TOMORROW: Baroness Elliot of Harwood, 75; Sir Peter Garran, 73; Sir Percival Griffiths, 79; Lord Hill of Luton, 74; Sir Harry Shpcott, 87; Mr John Junor, 59; Sir Harold Lever, MP, 64; General Sir Roderick McLeod, 73; Miss Augusta North, 100; Lord Simon of Glaisdale, 67; Professor H. R. Trevor-Roper, 64.

Incarnation doctrine in the light of other faiths

What God is, man is not; what man is, God is not. This is a statement which most Christians, and indeed, most theists, would take for granted. Man is by definition finite, and subject to death and sin. God is infinite, immortal and holy. The greatest problem of the incarnation doctrine—that God in Christ lived a human life and died a human death—is to make it *intelligible*. Muslims and Jews have always regarded the incarnation as a denial of true monotheism. What can it mean to assert that God became man without ceasing to be God, and that a finite man was, in some sense, God? Defenders of the orthodox doctrine too easily waft away the intellectual problem with appeals to "mystery" and "paradox". In doing so they miss an inherent logic in the Christian claim which, while it cannot prove the incarnation, or reduce the mystery, does make it just rationally intelligible.

The logic of the Christian claim starts in a search for common ground between God and man. This common ground is not metaphysical. Here there is an important difference between Christianity and Hindu religion. Hindu religion acknowledges many incarnations of God. The basis for incarnation in Hinduism is the doctrine of the essential unity of the soul with the divine. The Upanishads proclaim that every human soul is a spark of the divine totality. Salvation involves realizing this. The God-realized soul is a *divine* incarnation.

Christianity, on the other hand, stresses the radical difference between man and God. God is the creator and man is the creature—that is a metaphysical gap which is never bridged. But though God and man differ in *nature*, they have a *characteristic* in common. This is selfless love, which in God is complete and in man is potential. The Christian God is described as the "Trinity", which means that there is a movement of giving and receiving love within the Godhead itself. The movement of love in man is stunted, but there are pointers to it.

Eastern orthodox writers, and in particular Vladimir Lossky, point to the constant desire of man to transcend the limitations of his individual ego. Man is not on the whole satisfied with his individuality and seeks communion. Lossky finds that the characteristic Western way of defining man in terms of his individuality is radically mistaken. The true nature of man is to be in peaceful communion with himself, with his fellow men, with the earth, and with the other creatures.

If this is true then the logic of the incarnation doctrine becomes clearer. We do not perceive man as *in* communion, but we see that he desires it and is dissatisfied with his present state. In spite of his brokenness, hope persists. Every work of art is an attempt to transcend the ego, every act of love is a search for wholeness. The impact of Christ was such that the first Christians felt they had received their wholeness through him—the immediate result was a new consciousness of God and a new kind of human community: love was the seal that bound the two together. Later generations formed the doctrines of the Trinity and the two natures of Christ to express precisely as they could the experience which they had received.

Our problem today is that we have the doctrinal formulas but have lost the experience which makes them live. We have come to regard the formulas as academic statements, the results of philosophical analysis, but they were never intended to be used in that way. Rather, the earliest creeds were acclamations which came from experience.

Revelation cannot be proved, and the logic of the incarnation is an inner logic which arises from the Christian community's experience of Christ. Reason may argue for the existence of God, or for the possibility of man's entering into relationship with God. Revelation speaks of a divine movement of love towards man in which man is caught up into the life of the Trinity:

Then was I knit to man's nature
To call my true love to the dance. . . .

The incarnation doen not abolish the gap between creator and creature. The two-nature doctrine of Christ preserves the distinction, though it must be admitted that it opens particular problems for those whose task is to present Christ in modern psychological terms. At this point the theologian may well have to fall back on "mystery" or "paradox". But this is not the case with the incarnation doctrine itself. As long as revelation remains a valid category for Christian theology, the incarnation is the revelation to which the church is inescapably committed. In the light of this revelation the statement: "What God is, man is not; what man is, God is not" is seen to be in need of some modification.

Angela Tilby

Today's engagements

Exhibitions: Royal Academy of Arts, diploma galleries, Piccadilly; Robert Motherwell, paintings and collages 1941-77, 10-6; Cheltenham Art Gallery and Museum, Clarence Street, Cheltenham, for children, "What is it?", 10-6.

Poets-in-person reading, Michael Ondaatje, National Poetry Centre, 21 Earls Court Square, SW, 7.30.

Lecture: Natural History Museum, South Kensington, "Life in Woodlands", 3.

International Sporting and Racing Motor Cycle Show, Royal Horticultural Society Halls, Vincent Square, 10-7.30.

Requiem for Bishop Hugh Ashdown, Southwark Cathedral, noon.

Memorial Service: Group Captain H. M. A. Day (Wings) St Clement Danes, Strand, 1.

Tomorrow

Horse Guards: mounted guard-changing, 10.

Boat Show, Earls Court, 10-7.

Exhibition: Tate Gallery: Carved, Modelled, Constructed, a display of twentieth-century British sculpture from the modern collection, 2-6.

Albert Hall, Viennese evening, 7.30.

Walks: Legal and illegal London, Inns of Court, meet Holborn Underground station, 2; Newspapers and the street of ink, meet Blackfriars station, 3.

Concert: Purcell Room, South Bank: Birds, Beasts and Bagpipes, life in the Middle Ages, Michael and Doreen Muskett, 7.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

Professor Valerie Pearl to be a governor of the Museum of London.

Sir John Habakkuk and Professor Gerald Aylmer to be members of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts.

Mr Christopher Monckton, to be editor of The Universe, in succession to Mr Jack Walsh, who retires at the end of the year.

Latest wills

Mrs Celia Winifred Beattie, of Maidstone, left £78,055 net. After personal and other bequests of £9,800 and some effects, she left a third of the residue each to the National Children's Home and the RNLI, and a sixth each for cancer research and to Kent County Association for the Blind.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):

Sugar, Mr Edward Desmond Russell, of Southampton, secretary and former captain of Hampshire County Cricket Club .. £126,874

Farmer, Commander John A. H., of Chelsea, a director of the Pro-Arts Plant Association .. £119,932

Harris, Miss Violet Belle, of Camberley £205,104

Scot de Boinod, Colonel Bernard Louis (B. L. Jacot, the author and broadcaster) £89,509

Sorrell, The Rev Roger, of Sheffield £133,473

Melchrone, Mr Vincent Joseph, of Weybridge, Surrey, journalist .. £24,167

Saunders, Miss Irene Mary, of Letchworth £196,503

Leaving, Miss Beatrice Ethel, of Abingdon, Oxfordshire .. £113,750

Shotton, Mrs Eileen Amy, of Wimborne, Dorset .. £125,088

Forthcoming marriages

Captain A. F. Cherry and Miss S. L. West

The engagement is announced between Anthony Cherry, The Queen's Own Hussars, son of Mrs D. A. Cherry and the late F. G. Cherry, of Sandbanks, Dorset, and Susan West, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. West, of Callipers Hall, Chipperfield, Hertfordshire.

Mr A. J. Henley and Miss D. L. Hillyard

The engagement is announced between Alistair, son of Mr and Mrs B. J. Henley, of Crowborough, Sussex and Deborah, daughter of Mrs S. M. Hillyard and the late Mr T. A. D. W. Hillyard, of Great Longstone, Derbyshire.

Mr R. J. L. Hubble and Miss V. J. Cave

The engagement is announced between Robert John Lloyd, only son of Mr and Mrs J. R. Hubble, of Poldhurst Manor, Canterbury, Kent, and Vivienne Julia, only daughter of Major and Mrs L. Cave, of Crown House, Eridge, Sussex.

M G. M. de Rougemont and Miss M. E. Hanbury

The engagement is announced between Guillaume Marie de Rougemont, eldest son of Mme J. Clechanowska (née Paola de Janzé), 76 Londonières, France, and Margaret Elizabeth, daughter of Dr and Mrs Paul Hanbury, Fish House, Warsash, Hampshire.

Mr D. W. Stogdale and Miss G. Harney

The engagement is announced between David William, younger son of Mr L. W. Stogdale and the late Mrs Stogdale, of Criccieth, Wales, and Geraldine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Desmond Harney, of Teheran, Iran.

Mr C. A. MacKenzie and Mrs E. A. Booth

The marriage between Charles MacKenzie, of Sherborne, Dorset, and Elizabeth, younger daughter of the late Commander Guy, VC, DSO, RN, and the late Mrs Guy, formerly of Pirbright, Surrey, will take place on February 18.

Mr R. F. Mineards and Mrs S. L. Spangler

The engagement is announced between Richard Francis Mineards, formerly of Culford Gardens, Sloane Square, Chelsea, SW3, now of E 77th Street, New York, and Sherree Lynn Spangler, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs G. H. Martin, of Playa Blanca, Mexico. The marriage will take place at Lake Tahoe, Nevada, on January 22.

Mr H. T. Pelham and Miss S. E. Charlton

The engagement is announced between Henry, eldest son of Mr E. T. Pelham and the late Mrs B. H. Pelham, of Little Barford House, near St Neots, Huntingdon, and Sarah, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John Charlton, of Culworth Fields, Banbury, Oxfordshire.

Marriages

Mr D. L. Barker and Miss M. E. Lloyd

The marriage took place on Thursday, January 12, of Mr Desmond Barker and Miss Margaret Lloyd, both of Henley-on-Thames.

Mr M. B. Walbank and Miss M. E. Hoskins

The marriage took place on January 6, in Calgary, Canada, between Mr Michael Burke Walbank, only son of the late Mr and Mrs Arthur Walbank, of Bristol, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Hoskins, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs William D. Hoskins, of Pinner, Middlesex.

New proposals to end Petworth by-pass dispute

By Our Planning Reporter

Yet another attempt to resolve the protracted dispute over a new by-pass for Petworth is being made by West Sussex County Council. A model and plans of a proposed relief road will be on display at the public library during the week beginning January 23.

The road would run within the walls of Petworth House, which is owned by the National Trust, but wouldbe less intrusive than the suggested route across the park, to which the trust has taken strong exception. The council has made it clear that it still prefers the park route, which would be partly underground, but concedes that its latest suggestion would be cheaper and less controversial.

The dispute has lasted nearly six years and, because of the threat to one of the finest landscaped parks in Britain, has attracted national attention. Two other routes have been canvassed; one, through the Shimmings valley, is opposed by local residents, and the other, which would involve upgrading existing roads to the east and west, and was supported in a report by Colin Buchanan and Partners, is considered by the council to be inadequate.

Support urged for northern opera venture

From Ronald Kershaw
Leeds

The Department of Industry's committee for industry and the arts is to encourage companies in Yorkshire and Humberside to support the new English National Opera North and the Yorkshire Sinfonia. The committee says the opera will be a "vital force" in West Yorkshire and will help industry, commerce, tourism and education.

The committee was set up in 1976 to investigate ways of improving the relationship between industry and the arts in West Yorkshire. Mr Tony Brown, the chairman, is chairman and director of Rose Forgrove Ltd.



Bronzino's portrait of Francesco I de Medici, sold in New York for £60,525.

Old Masters sale makes £703,683

The first Old Master sale of the year by Christie's, New York, on Thursday, made a total of $1,337,000 (£703,683), excluding the buyers' 10 per cent premium, with only 4 per cent unsold.

Angelo Bronzino's portrait of Francesco I de Medici went to a *private buyer for $115,000* (£60,525). The picture has been sold by Christie's in London twice before. In 1879 it made £81 and in 1921 it went for £210.

Van der Meer, a Dutch dealer, paid $82,000 (£43,157) for a still life painting of tulips, peonies, a lily, iris and other flowers in a vase, dated 1619 by Jacob Vouters Vosmaer. A portrait of a man by Jan Lievens was sold for $44,000 (£23,157) to the Norton Simon Museum of Pasadena, California.

A private buyer paid $36,000 (£18,947) for an estuary scene with shipping by Jan van Os and a Dutch estate barge, also by Jan van Os, sold for $35,000 (£18,420) to a Belgian dealer, François. A Venetian canal scene attributed to *Francesco Guardi went to a private buyer* for $32,000 (£16,841). The same price was paid for an extensive classical wooded landscape by Jacob Philippe Hackert.

University news

Oxford

An honorary doctorate of music is to be conferred on June 21 on Herbert von Karajan, director of the Salzburg Festival and the Vienna State Opera and artistic director of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra.

The Weldon Memorial Prize for 1977 has been awarded to Professor L. L. Cavalli-Sforza, of the department of genetics, Stamford University, California.

Cambridge

Election

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE. Professor Eliot Friedson, of the department of sociology, New York University, Pitt Professor-elect for the academic year 1979-80, has been elected into a fellowship under title C from October 1, 1979, to September 30, 1980.

London

Professor J. Musgrove, BArch, holder of the chair of architecture, University College, has been appointed to the Haden Pilkington Chair of Environmental Design and Engineering at the college.

Dr L. Symon, MB, ChB, consultant neurosurgeon at the National Maida Vale and St Thomas's Hospitals, has been appointed to the Gough Cooper Chair of Neurological Surgery at the Institute of Neurology, from February.

D. C. Wilson, MSc, lecturer in petroleum engineering, Imperial College, has been appointed reader in petroleum engineering there at that college.

Conferment of titles

Professor: experimental pharmacology: to D. A. Brown, BSc, PhD, School of Pharmacy; haematology, N. C. Hughes-Jones, BCh, PhD, DM, St Mary's Hosp Medical S; immunopathology, J. F. Mowbray, BA, MB, BChir, St Mary's Hosp Medical S; mechanical engineering, T. J. Williams, BSc, MSc, PhD, King's College.

Reader: structures, A. C. Cassell, BSc, PhD, Imperial C; mechanical engineering, D. J. Ewins, BSc, PhD, Imperial C; zoology, B. G. Gardiner, PhD, DSc, Queen Elizabeth C; public health engineering, R. Perry, BSc, PhD, Imperial C; cell biology, T. J. Peters, MB, ChB, MSc, PhD, Royal Postgraduate Medical S; chemistry, P. M. Scopes, BSc, MA, DPhil, Westfield C; education, J. P. White, BA, Institute of Education.

Manchester

Appointments

Lecturers: Ophthalmology, Miss M. A. McDermott, MB, ChB; pathology J. K. Kelly, MB, ChB, N. L. Rouve, BSc, MB, Ch B (Manc); conservative dentistry, D. N. Entwistle, BDS (Manc); computer science H. Barringer, MSc (Manc).

Grants

From Science Research Council: £238,000, over one year, for radio astronomy directed by Professor Sir Bernard Lovell; £62,791, over one year, for the North West Marine Technology Consortium under Professor D. M. McDowell; £50,000, over three years, jointly to the university and Umist for research, directed by Professor R. Hamage and Professor J. K. Sutherland, into 13C nuclear magnetic resonance; £16,141, over three years, for research, directed by Professor A. Donnachie, into the electromagnetic interactions of hadrons. From Wellcome Trust: £45,162, over five years, for research, supervised by Professors W. L. Ford and M. H. Irving, into the pathology of trauma; £16,055, over two years, for research directed by Dr R. M. Davies and Dr D. E. Woolley, into gingival collagenase. From North Western Regional Health Authority: £19,980, over three years, for research, directed by Professor L. A. Turnberg, into absorption of salt and water in the colon of patients with diarrhoea.

From Medical Research Council: £53,516, over three years, for research, directed by Professor L. A. Turnberg, into mechanisms of diarrhoea; £17,330, over three years, for research, directed by Professor C. S. B. Galasko, into the relationship between the osteolytic potential of human tumours, prostaglandin production and tumour behaviour.

Leeds

Appointments:

Lecturers: L. R. Cliffe, BA (Nott), politics; R. C. Paton, BSc, MB, ChB (Edin), medicine (Leeds Gen Inf); H. K. Radice, BA (Cantab), MA (Warwick), economic studies; S. A. Collins, BA (Lancaster), MA (Bradford), psychiatry; Miss P. E. A. Newman, MA (Lond), Spanish and Portuguese.

Research fellows: A. Amis, rheumatism research unit (Leeds Gen Inf); J. D. Kramers, BSc, PhD (Berne), earth sciences; P. D. Rawson, BSc (Leeds), electrical and electronic engineering.

Strathclyde

Honorary degrees will be conferred on the following on April 14:

DSc: Mr J. B. Adams, FRS, director-general, 300 GeV Accelerator Project, Cern, Geneva.

LLD: Mr A. Ross Belch, managing director, Scott-Lithgow Group, Greenock and Port Glasgow; Mr Peter Boon, chairman, Hoover Ltd; Mr W. B. M. Duncan, deputy chairman, ICI Ltd; Mr A. M. Dunnett, chairman, Thomson Scottish Petroleum Ltd.

DLitt: Emeritus Professor S. G. E. Lythe, professor of economic history, Strathclyde University (1965-76).

To be conferred at a later date:

DSc: Rector Eduard Galas, rector of Lodz Technological University and professor of biochemistry there.

DLL: Mr Peter Hemmings, administrator, Sydney Opera House.

Services tomorrow

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC, 8; 10.30, Canon Douglas Webster, and Jub (Boyce in C); HC, 11.30 (Darke in F), Int, Omnes de Saba (Handl); Evensong, 3.15, Rev G. H. Saunders, Mag and ND (Gibbons in F), A. O leave your sheep (Kitson).

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC, 8; M, 10.30 (Tallis in the Dorian Mode), In Virgin's womb (Byrd), Miss P. ...; HC (said), 11.40; Evensong, 3 (... in G), Ascribe unto the Lord (Travers), Canon Trevor Beeson; Confirmation Service, 6, Right Rev Trevor Huddleston.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: Eucharist, 11 (Jackson in G), A. O Lisle see (Vaughan Williams), Jesu, the very thought of thee (Bairstow), Canon Donald Parrott; Evensong, 3.30 (Stanford in G), A. O for a closer walk (Stanford), the Provost.

CHAPEL ROYAL, St James's Palace, HC, 8.30; M, 11.15, A. O nata lux (Tallis), Rev D. N. Griffiths.

THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY (public welcomed): Sung Eucharist, 11.15 (Stanford in C), Canon Edwyn Young.

ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich (public welcomed): HC, 8 and noon; MP, 11, Rev G. M. Hughes.

GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks: HC, 8 and noon; M, 11, Right Rev G. S. Snell.

HM TOWER OF LONDON: HC, 9.15; 11, TD (Stanford in C), A. Lord I ... (Howells), the Chaplain.

TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street (public welcomed): HC, 8.30; MP 11.15, TD and Jub (Stanley Wilson in ...), A. And I saw a new heaven (Bainton), Archbishop of Melbourne.

ROYAL HOSPITAL, Chelsea (public welcomed): HC, 8.30 and noon; Parade Service, 11, A. All they from Saba (Handl), Rev E. W. Evans.

ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church), public welcomed: HC, 8.30 and 12.15; M, 11, Resident Chaplain, TD and Jub (Stanford in B flat), A. Ascribe unto the Lord (Travers); E, 6.30, Rev G. R. Huddleston, Mag and ND (Noble in B minor), A. Upon my ... (Peerson).

CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace (public welcomed): M, 11 (Tallis), A (Tallis); E, 3.30 (Noble), A (Bach).

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Sung Eucharist, 11, Rev P. Kefford.

ALL SAINTS', Margaret Street: LM, 8 and 5.30; HM, 11, the Vicar (Bryan ... in C); E and B, 6, Rev G. ... (Fauxbourdons (Gibbons).

CHRIST CHURCH, Chelsea: HC, 8; Parish Communion, 11, Rev G. Huston; ... carols, ...

GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street, HC, 8.15; Sung Eucharist ..., Rev J. B. Gaskell (Harris in F), ... (Wood).

HOLY SEPULCHRE, Holborn Viaduct: Sung Eucharist, 9.15, Canon R. ...man.

HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road, 8 and 12.15; HC (sung), 9 am; 11, Rev C. Marnham; E, 6.30, Rev S. Millar.

ST ALBAN'S, Holborn: LM, 8 and ... pm; SM, 9.30; HM, 11, Messe ... (Palestrina), Insanae et vanae ... (Haydn).

ST BARTHOLOMEW - THE - GREAT PRIORY (AD 1123): HC, 9; M, 11 and ... in F), A. A spotless rose ...; and E, 6.30 (Ridout, 13-...), A. Lo I star-led chiefs (Crotch), Rector; HC, 7.40 pm.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street: HC, 8.30; ... HC, 1, Rev N. Cryer, Jub (Stanford in B flat), E, 6.30, Prebendary Dewi Morgan, Mag and ND (Darke in F), A. O where shall wisdom be found (Boyce).

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square: HC, 8.15; Sung Eucharist, 11 (Stanford in C), Rev W. M. Atkins, Mot, O come let us sing unto the Lord (Ramsey).

ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly: HC, 8.15; Eucharist, 9.15, Rev J. L. W. Robinson; Sung Eucharist, 11, Kleine Orgelmesse (Haydn), Rev C. Walker; E, 6, Rev W. P. Baddeley.

ST MARGARET'S, Westminster: M, 11, TD (Britten in E), A. All they from Saba (Handl); HC, 12.15, Canon David L. Edwards.

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: Family Communion, 9.45, Mr N. Ingram-Smith; M, 11.15, the Vicar; E, 6.30, Rev C. Walker.

ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington: HC, 8 and 12.30; Sung Eucharist, 9.30, and E, 6.30, Rev I. L. Robson, Sacerdotes Domini (Byrd); M, 11.15, Rev A. F. Davis, Ascribe unto the Lord (Gervase).

ST MARYLEBONE PARISH CHURCH, HC, 8 and 11, Bishop of London, Missa Sancti Jonnes de Deo (Haydn), Cantate Domino (Pitoni); E, 6.30.

ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square, HC, 8.15; Parish Communion, 11, Rev E. G. H. Saunders; 6, Rev A. G. C. Pearson.

ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, Knightsbridge: HC, 8 and 9; Solemn Eucharist, 11, Missa brevis (Gabrieli), Rev R. G. Russell.

ST PAUL'S, Bedford Street, Covent Garden: SE, 11.15, Rev J. Arrowsmith.

ST PAUL'S, Robert Adam Street: M, 11 and 6.30, Rev R. K. Townley.

ST PETER'S, Eaton Square: LM, 8.15 and 10; SM, 11 Little organ mass (Haydn), Tribus miraculis (Marenzio), Father Proul.

ST SIMON ZELOTES, Chelsea: HC, 8; Parish Communion 11; E, 6.30, Rev Dr Martin Israel.

ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road, LM, 8 and 9; HM, 11 (Darke in E), Rev H. Moore; E and B, 6, Rev K. Hobbs.

ST VEDAST, Foster Lane: SM, 11 Rev M. Tweedy Fiat voluntas tua (Andriessen), Mot, Come, my way, my truth, my life (Vaughan Williams).

ST COLUMBA'S (Church of Scotland) Pont Street: 11, Rev J. Green; 6.30, Rev Dr J. Fraser McLuskey.

CROWN COURT CHURCH (Church of Scotland) Russell Street, Covent Garden: 11.15, Rev J. Miller Scott; 6.30, Rev T. Preston.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: Mass, 7, 8, 9, noon, 5.30 and 7 pm; 10.30, Mass for three voices (Byrd), Jubilate Deo (Schütz) Father W. Brennan; V and B, 3.30.

THE ORATORY, SW7: SM, 11, Messe solennelle de St Cecilia (Gounod); V and B 3.30 Mot; Laetentur caeli (Byrd).

ASSUMPTION, Warwick St: SM, 11 (Latin), Messe de minuit (Charpentier).

ST PATRICK'S, Soho Square: SM, 6 pm, Missa Sine nomine II (Sameon) Jubilate Deo (Goller).

ESSEX UNITARIAN CHURCH, 11 am, welcomes both theists and humanists, 112 Palace Gardens Terrace, Kensington.

THE JESUIT CHURCH, Farm Street, Mass, 7.30, 8.30, 10, 11 (Sung Latin), 4.15 and 6.15; Noon, Father Peter Knott, "Unity in Diversity".

REGENT SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (United Reformed), Tavistock Place: 11 and 6.30, Dr Daniel Jenkins.

CENTRAL HALL, Westminster: 11 and 6.30, Dr M. Barnett.

KINGSWAY HALL (West London Mission): 11 and 6.30 Rev Lord Soper.

CITY TEMPLE, Holborn Viaduct 10, Rev Dr B. Johanson (televised service); 6.30, Rev Dr R. M. Norris.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Gate: 11 and 6.30, Rev Dr R. T. Kendall.

25 years ago

From The Times of Tuesday, January 13, 1953

'Reds in the UN'

From Our United Nations Correspondent

New York, Jan 12.—The Secretary-General and his advisers conferred today with a group of American Government officials about the procedure to be followed in carrying out President Truman's executive order calling for a loyalty investigation of all American members of the secretariat—an operation that may last a year or more, irrespective of the independent inquiries being pursued by such bodies as the McCarran security committee and a second federal grand jury recently sworn for the purpose. Mr Lie also proposed to set up his own review board which presumably would now function only in cases of "subversion" unearthed under the executive order; but the whole issue of "Reds in the United Nations", as it is called, is becoming so confused and demoralizing that it would be refreshing to think that one of the first acts of the Eisenhower Administration will be to restore some sense of proportion to a controversy that is doing so much harm to the United States. It is hoped at headquarters that the grand jury at all events will present indictments where clear evidence exists of espionage and sabotage rather than follow the example of its predecessor in handing down a sweeping "presentment" that tended to implicate the entire secretariat in the public mind.

Science report

Crete: Decline of Minoan civilization

About 1500 BC one of the largest volcanic eruptions since the ice age occurred on the island of Santorini, 70 miles north of Crete, and within a few decades the powerful and gracious Minoan civilization on Crete had disappeared. There is heated debate over the connexion, if any, between the two events, and it seems that the argument will not be settled until more information is obtained. New evidence on the magnitude and effects of the volcanic eruption has now been found deep beneath the waters of the eastern Mediterranean.

Widespread devastation of settlements and palaces on Crete occurred in 1450 BC but the Thera volcano on Santorini erupted in 1500 BC. Those dates come from archaeological evidence based on the styles of pottery found in destroyed settlements on Crete and Santorini. The evidence has been disputed but is generally regarded as reliable and clearly presents an obstacle to the volcanic eruption theory. Either two eruptions separated by about fifty years must have occurred or the eruption in 1500 BC created a crater that later collapsed, producing tidal waves and earthquakes.

Recently, German scientists have conducted investigations on Santorini and Crete and concluded that the decline of Minoan civilization had nothing whatever to do with the volcanic eruption but was probably caused by a catastrophic regional earthquake (see *The Times*, June 30, 1977). They found no evidence for two eruptions closely spaced in time and were unable to detect remnants of volcanic ash in eastern Crete.

The volcanic destruction theory gained crucial support some years ago from cores of material drilled out from the floor of the Aegean Sea surrounding Crete. Some cores contained layers of volcanic ash deposited about 1500 BC, which suggested that Crete itself must have received a layer of ash from the eruption. But the data were sparse, there were inconsistencies, and the recent investigations on Crete show no evidence of the layer of ash.

To prove that an ash fall did not occur 3,500 years ago on an inhabited island is one of the more difficult tasks in geology. If a consistent set of results could be obtained with core samples from beneath the surrounding sea, that evidence would be considerably more reliable. Such results have been obtained by a group of scientists at the University of Rhode Island.

Using a special research ship, the scientists collected many cores from the Aegean Sea and parts of the eastern Mediterranean. A clear picture emerges of the ash-fall decreasing with distance from the volcano, and it is even possible to estimate the amount of volcanic ash that must have fallen on land. The results indicate that a layer of ash between one and five centimetres thick fell over eastern Crete.

That amount of ash was probably insufficient in itself to cause a significant decline of the Minoan civilization, although it must have been very inconvenient and the effects on agriculture may well have been severe. In Iceland, volcanic ash-falls greater than 10cm in thickness have caused farms to be abandoned. It is difficult to estimate how agricultural techniques in Minoan times would have coped.

The new evidence supports the volcanic destruction theory but certainly does not prove it. More information would certainly contribute to the resolution of the controversy, although it may just require an enlightened interpretation. Perhaps a young architect could help.

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Luncheon

HM Government

Mr Frank Judd, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon held at 1 Carlton Gardens in honour of M Pierre Mauroy, National Secretary of the French Socialist Party and Mayor of Lille.

Dinner

Lord Brockway

Lord Brockway entertained members and guests of the International Cultural Exchange at dinner in the House of Lords last night. Among those present were:

The High Commissioner of Bangladesh, the Ambassador of Czechoslovakia and Mme Cernik, the Ambassador of Hungary and Dr R. L. Hingorani, chairman.

Service luncheon

Drake Term, RN Colleges Osborne and Dartmouth, 1918-1921

Members of the Drake Term, 1918-1921, held a luncheon at the Naval and Military Club yesterday to celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of joining RN College Osborne. Vice-Admiral Sir Arthur Pedder presided and 23 members of the term were present, including:

Vice-Admiral Sir Dymock Watson, Rear-Admiral Sir Kenneth Buckley, Major-General Sir Leslie Tyler, Mr Humphrey Hicks and Mr Patrick Johnson.

Service dinners

Royal Welch Fusiliers

The annual dinner of the Royal Welch Fusiliers took place last night at the Hyde Park Hotel. Major-General P. R. Leuchars, Colonel of the Regiment, presided and the guests of the evening were Lieutenant-General Sir James Wilson, Colonel, the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, and the Rev J. F. M. Llewellyn, chaplain, HM Tower of London.

Duke of Lancaster's Own Yeomanry

Officers of the Duke of Lancaster's Own Yeomanry last night dined out their Commanding Officer, Leiutenant-Colonel D. J. Claxton. The Honorary Colonel of the regiment, Colonel M. A. A. Birtwistle, presided. The new commanding officer is Lieutenant-Colonel P. D. W. Cable-Alexander.

Church news

Diocese of Oxford

The Rev L. Burn, chaplain at Selly Oak Hospital, Birmingham, to be Team Vicar in the Swan Group.

The Rev J. Kemp, Vicar of Rotherfield Greys, to be priest-in-charge of Taplow.

The Rev D. Thomas, domestic chaplain to the Bishop of Oxford, to be priest-in-charge of Burnham.

Diocese of Salisbury

The Right Rev Lawrence A. Brown, formerly Bishop of Birmingham, to be priest-in-charge of Odstock with Nunton and Bodenham.

The Rev D. B. Pennal, Rector of Milton Abbas, Hilton with Cheselbourne and Melcombe Horsey, to be priest-in-charge of Spettisbury with Charlton Marshall, and youth chaplain in the archdeaconries of Sherborne and Dorset.

Diocese of Worcester

The Rev J. P. Lankester, Rector of Stanford-on-Teme with Orleton and Stockton-on-Teme, and priest-in-charge of Pensax, to be Vicar of St Swithun's, Worcester.

The Rev J. W. R. Mowll, Vicar of Upper Arley, to be Vicar of Upton Snodsbury with Broughton Hackett and Naunton Beauchamp and Grafton Flyford with North Piddle and Flyford Flavell.

Resignations and retirements

The Rev K. G. Chapman, Rector of St John Sub-Castro, Lewes, diocese of Chichester.

Canon N. M. Dunlop, Vicar of Funtington and Rector of West Stoke, diocese of Chichester.

The Rev D. B. Harris, Vicar of St Paul's, Knightsbridge, diocese of London.

The Rev L. H. Roper, Vicar of Seaford, diocese of Chichester.

Church in Wales

The Rev A. J. Edwards, head of religious education, Bishop of Llandaff Church in Wales High School, Llandaff, to be Vicar of St Hilda's, Griffithstown, diocese of Monmouth.

Church of Scotland

The Rev A. M. Douglas Brechin-Southesk, presbytery of Angus, to Aberdeen-High Hilton; presbytery of Aberdeen.

Shrewsbury School

The Lent Term begins today and ends on Thursday, March 23. The Rev David Allcock joins the staff as chaplain.

OBITUARY

GLUCK

Versatile painter and battler for art



Gluck, the artist, died on January 10 at the age of 82.

Born in 1895, she was a daughter of Joseph Gluckstein, one of the founders of J. Lyons and Co, and of an American girl, Francesca Halle, who never shed her accent. Her mother was a talented musician, and a dominant and versatile personality. Gluck inherited her mother's characteristics. Her original ambition was to be a singer, but she might equally well have achieved fame as a writer, with her unique blend of psychological insight and poetic expression. But one day, as she passed through a corridor at the Wigmore Hall in the course of a recital, she was struck "in the solar plexus", as she was to say, by the swirl and sweep of Sargent's portrait of the violinist Joachim. This decided her life. Though she had considered as wasted the year she had spent (to please her parents) at the St John's Wood School of Art, she decided her life—she took to the brush.

In 1916 she was permitted to spend some weeks in Cornwall in the artists' colony which included Lamorna Birch, Alfred Munnings, the Proctors, and the Knights, among others. (Gluck was to purchase the Knights' studio some years later.)

She felt it necessary to rebel against a family which expected daughters to do no more than marry acceptably. Munnings, though not rich, offered to help her if she ran away. In time she did, with, she said, 2s 6d and no ration card. She had met Gordon Selfridge, and he let her have a studio within the store, where she painted lightning, one-sitting portraits.

As the young artist shed her background, she dropped her surname, insisting on being known only as Gluck—no prefix. She cropped her hair, and wore men's clothes because they were more comfortable to work in.

Her first exhibition was arranged by the photographer Hoppé at the Dorien Leigh Gallery in 1924, but thereafter she had a life-long relationship with The Fine Art Society, which gave her one-man-shows in 1926, 1932, 1937, and—after she had walked in and coolly said, "I haven't exhibited here since 1937. I think it is time again now"—in 1973. In 1932 she decorated the gallery as a white room, panelled to match the white three-tier stepped "Gluck" frames, which she had designed and patented. For this exhibition all her pictures were shown in these; there was some modern furniture, and Constance Spry was roped in. It was Gluck who suggested to her that she might well incorporate vegetables into her flower arrangements.

Gluck was very versatile as an artist, and this did not allow her work to be typed. Among other subjects, she painted landscapes, portraits, still lifes, genre pictures, and theatrical and law court scenes. Her portraits told the truth about her sitters. One who survived the test was Sir Wilfrid Greene, Master of the Rolls, whose portrait hangs in the Inner Temple.

Her blend of authority, determination and will are all evident in her work, always small in scale but succinct in composition and pungent in observation.

In the 1920s Gluck shared a studio at what was then No 30 Tite Street, Chelsea (now No 48). About 1923-24, she and Romaine Brooks, the strange American portrait painter, agreed to sit for each other. Romaine painted a brilliant and touching portrait of Gluck, calling it "Peter—a Young English Girl", which is in the Smithsonian. Sadly, she did not honour the reciprocal part of the arrangement. She came once, very late, to sit. The light was fading. Romaine was large, and Gluck had bought and prepared a large canvas. She blocked in a masterly sketch, but Romaine, who attenuated herself in her self-portrait, did not like it, and never turned up again. Only the photograph of the sketch remains, because one day Gluck used the expensive canvas again.

A tenacious battler when she felt she had a good cause, she waged war against paint manufacturers who, she claimed, by altering over the years, the composition of artists' materials, imperilled the life of oil paintings. She campaigned strongly on this matter, addressing bodies like the Royal Society of Arts and the Museums Association. She was a member of the technical committee on artists' materials set up by the British Standards Institution and sponsored by the Courtauld Institute.

Gluck was a sociable, generous person, happiest of all in her own studio, just painting.

MR MICHAEL BATES

Mr Michael Bates, the actor, who died in the Royal Marsden Hospital on January 11, aged 57, moved with ease from Shakespeare—his quality was first recognized during five years at Stratford-upon-Avon—to films and television, where he was known particularly as Ranji Ram, the Indian bearer, in *It Ain't Half Hot, Mum*.

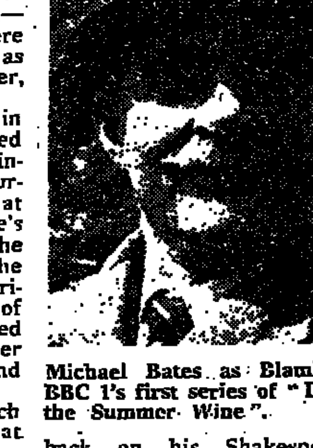
Actually, he was born in India, at Jhansi in the United Provinces. His war service included four years with the Gurkhas. He had been educated at Uppingham and St Catharine's College, Cambridge; and at the end of the 1950's, and in the early 1960's, he recorded various parts for the series of Shakespeare Records, directed by George Rylands under British Council auspicies and issued by Argo.

By then Bates had had much Shakespeare experience at Stratford and the Old Vic. One of his renowned small parts was Lord Sands in Guthrie's extremely individual *Henry VIII*, but (1948-1952) he moved through a whole range of clowns, from Biondello, Launcelot Gobbo, and Autolycus to Trinculo and Touchstone (where, unlike many actors, he both searched for the fun and found it). He could combine lightness of touch with a diverting stolidity; his Bardolph in 1951 is remembered.

Bates continued his Shakespeare excursions in Guthrie's inaugural season at Stratford, Ontario (1953) where he played Lafeu in *All's Well That Ends Well*; and in the following year, at the *Old Vic*.

After leaving Shakespeare he had a cheerful run of London parts including Ionesco (at the Arts; he could be splendidly matter of fact in the wildest circumstances) and the Inspector of Police in Coward's version of *Look After Lulu*. In 1960 he was the Old Gentleman in Ionesco's *Rhinoceros*, with Olivier.

By then his incisive comedy was widely familiar. He was in one of the "business plays", *Guilty Party* at the St Martin's (1961); three years later he was back on his Shakespearean round as Launcelot Gobbo (an old friend) and Starveling on a tour of South America and Europe, and for a change late that year, he travelled in the United States as Sir Joseph Porter (accompanied by his "admiring crowd of female relatives") in the Stratford, Ontario, production of HMS Pinafore.



Michael Bates as Blamire in BBC 1's first series of "Last of the Summer Wine".

In 1966 he created the modern part for which he may be generally remembered, the preposterous Truscott, another "officer of the law" in Joe Orton's farce, *Loot*, which he acted ultimately at the Criterion Theatre. He was Toad in *Toad of Toad Hall* (1968); he won the Clarence Derwent award and for a supporting part as Charles in Peter Nichols's *Forget-me-not-Lane* (1971); and he appeared at the Chichester Festival of 1975. Since 1954 his work away from the London theatre (and some leading provincial repertories) included such films as *Oh, What a Lovely War!*, *Battle of Britain*, and *A Clockwork Orange*; also a great deal of television, notably Blamire in the original series of "Last of the Summer Wine". He broadcast in *The Navy Lark* for 15 years.

MR GILBERT BRIGGS

Mr Gilbert Arthur Briggs, who died at his home in Ilkley on January 11, aged 87, founded the hi fi company, Wharfedale, in 1933 as a two-man concern in the building by hand of loudspeakers. By 1958, when it became part of The Rank Organisation, it had brought high quality sound reproduction to the attention of a worldwide public. After he retired in 1964 he concentrated on publishing books such as *Sound Reproduction; Loudspeakers; Pianos, Pianists & Sonics;* and *The Cabinet Handbook* which, translated into several languages, are regarded as foundations of hi fi technology; and he was widely regarded as the "father" of hi fi.

He leaves a wife and two daughters.

D.A. writes:

G.A.B., as he was known to his many friends in the "audio" world, started his working life in export business from 1906, and founded the Wharfedale Wireless Works in his wife's name in 1933. To quote his own remark: "I pinched it from her in 1953 and sold it to The Rank Organisation at a slight profit in 1958!"

He pioneered concerts of "live versus recorded music" in the mid-1950s at venues ranging from Carnegie Hall, New York, to Studley College common room in Warwickshire; but perhaps his biggest innovation in this technique was staging four of these concerts in the Royal Festival Hall.

Leon Goossens, the oboeist, took part in the programmes for which hi fi enthusiasts crammed the RFH, and G.A.B.'s carefully-planned "spontaneous" hi fi jokes delighted his audiences.

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Mortgage rate is cut to 8½%—its lowest level since April, 1973

By Margaret Stone

The Building Societies Association decided yesterday to recommend a full one point drop in the mortgage interest rate to 8½ per cent. It is the lowest level since April, 1973, and will knock £5.78 a month off the cost of an average £8,500 mortgage.

It was a foregone conclusion that the council of the BSA would recommend an interest rate cut when they met yesterday, but there was uncertainty about the size of it.

In the event Mr Ralph Stow, BSA chairman, said the decision to take 1 point rather than ½ of a point off the rate was virtually unanimous.

The decision to cut the rate by a full point reflects the buoyant level of funds flowing into the movement, upon which the level of rates ultimately depends.

After a slow start to the year—it is hard to remember that net receipts were only £89m last January—net receipts rose to a record level of £590m in October, and even December, traditionally a poor month for net receipts, showed an inflow of £421m.

By reducing the rate to 8.5 per cent—a net effective rate of interest of 5.61 per cent for the basic rate taxpayer—the societies hope to avoid any further cuts for some time. Last year they changed their rates three times.

Mr Stow said that he looked forward to a "steadier period of interest rates" and hoped that the 8½ per cent figure would "prove to be right for some time ahead". The 8½ per cent is effective immediately for new mortgagors and from February 1 or as soon as thereafter for existing borrowers.

The investment rate paid to shareholders in building societies is to be reduced from 6 per cent to 5.5 per cent from February 1. The gross equivalent yield drops from 9.09 per cent to 8.33 per cent.

This still leaves it in a competitive position vis-à-vis all forms of savings, with the exception of the investment account of the National Savings Bank. "We like to keep slightly ahead of the market", Mr Stow said.

The key question is whether this modest reduction in the investment rate will be sufficient to damp down slightly the flow of money into the movement. The BSA's ambition is to attract between £400 and £420m net a month which, with repayment of capital, will enable them to lend some £700 to £725m a month.

Lending on this scale—compared to commitments of £779m and £795m respectively in October and November—would forestall the inevitable criticism that is likely to arise if building societies pour money into the housing market and house prices begin to rise sharply.

Although they denied it, societies were accused of having caused the great house selling boom of 1972 when prices rose by nearly 50 per cent.

Mr Stow said yesterday that house prices would begin to rise faster this year and expected an increase of about 12 per cent.

However, the Government is known to be particularly anxious to avoid another house price spiral and will be carefully watching the societies' lending activity this year.

FNFC's deficiency has risen to £76.2m

By Our Financial Staff

First National Finance Corporation, the secondary bank which is still being kept afloat by the Bank of England's lifeboat, has a long term future on the basis of a firm property market and continuing success on the consumer credit side.

That is the belief of Mr Stuart Dyer, FNFC's managing director, who yesterday announced a loss of £4.8m for the year to October 31 against a loss of £32.1m in the previous year.

The loss increases the net equity deficiency to £76.2m. Deferred and subordinated loans of £93.2m leave a residue of £17m. But the loss is reduced to £3.9m by tax recoverable of £981,000, and the company did trade at a profit in the second half. The first-half loss of £7.5m was turned round to a £2.6m profit in the second half.

The consumer credit division contributed just over £8m profit and the improvement in the property market helped disposals. Overheads have been cut, with staff reduced to 89 from 130, and a move to new headquarters.

Present indications are that the second-half trend should continue. Mr Dyer said this progress did suggest that there was a long term future for the group.

The balance sheet shows income loans and direct loans from the support group—the "lifeboat"—totalling £212m.

Interest is not currently payable to the support group on deferred loans or loan stockholders for this period but remittances made to the group cover interest of £12.6m on the income loans. Unpaid interest now amounts to £34.5m.

Thorn doubts on consumer upturn

By Our Financial Staff

Thorn Electrical, one of Britain's biggest consumer durables groups, warned shareholders yesterday that it has so far seen no real signs of the long-expected upturn in consumer spending. Thorn's shares fell 14p before recovering slightly to close 10p down at 362p after the group announced pre-tax profits less than 9 per cent ahead at £46.1m in the six months to September 30.

This figure was at the lower end of market expectations. But the main disappointment stemmed from bearish comments about current trading. Sir Richard Cave, the chairman, said that in the year to date "the lower level of expenditure by the public on consumer electronics and household appliances has persisted throughout the normal peak season".

He added that although there was still time for a recovery in trading conditions before the March year-end, "it would be prudent" to expect full year profits similar to last year's £103.7m.

British sales in fact increased 13 per cent during the interim period to £414m, partly reflecting continued growth in television rental business. Thorn's biggest problems were overseas where sales dropped by more than 3 per cent to £170m, despite increased exports.

Excess production capacity in consumer durables throughout Europe has depressed figures but the group has suffered its biggest reversal in the Australian TV market. A spokesman for the group said last night that its half-owned Australian television subsidiary was suffering heavy losses as a resuk of a "drastic" downturn in colour television demand.

Unlike EMI, which recently announced it was withdrawing from the Australian market, Thorn intends to ride out the losses on hopes of a turnround largely on the back of video television business towards the end of this year. In the current financial year, however, the group fears that overseas profits of £17m last time could be halved.

The interim results were also depressed by strikes at the group's main north London plants during August and September which are claimed to have cost several millions of pounds. The lighting and engineering divisions managed some improvement despite having to contend with severe loss of production in October and November as a result of the strike at British Oxygen.

Television rental, which accounts for around 40 per cent of group profits and which benefited from a 7 per cent price increase in September, is still expanding at a rate of 8 to 10 per cent per annum.

CEGB calls again for dual strategy on reactors

By Kenneth Owen
Technology Correspondent

The Central Electricity Generating Board repeated yesterday that it was seeking a "commitment to construct" a nuclear power station based on the American-developed pressurized water reactor (PWR), as well as one using a revised version of the British advanced gas-cooled reactor (AGR).

This followed reports that Mr Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, is likely to recommend the construction of two AGR stations (one for the CEGB and one for the South of Scotland Electricity Board) but only a limited commitment to development and safety studies on the PWR.

A dual strategy, leading to on-site work on an AGR station beginning in January, 1980, and on-site work on a PWR station, starting perhaps two years later is favoured by the CEGB.

Because there is much preliminary work to be done before work on a PWR station could begin—including producing a United Kingdom station design, cost and safety assessments, obtaining planning permission (allowing time for a possible public inquiry) and obtaining licences to build—the board believes that a firm commitment to construct should be made as soon as possible.

Unless there is a commitment to construct, a CEGB spokesman said yesterday, the PWR development effort would lack urgency.

In the first year's operation of the Hinkley Point AGR station in Somerset, Mr Glyn England, CEGB chairman, has pointed out, the output was only one-third of that expected. And the AGR stations (three different designs are now in operation or under construction) are notoriously inaccessible for maintenance and repair.

Those still under construction are all extremely late and their costs have soared beyond estimates.

Thus, operating experience with the AGR is limited. In addition there are basic design limitations. The operational experience to date cannot justify a major investment decision, in the Board's view.

For these reasons the CEGB remains adamant that its dual approach is essential; the risk in depending solely on the AGR is too great.

The much-postponed government decision on the nuclear reactor choice is expected soon. Last Monday Mr Benn told the Commons: "At the next meeting of the Energy Commission on February 13 I would hope the Government's decision on this would be a great deal closer, if not already made."

Trafalgar offshoot pays £1.25m for publisher of 'Investors Chronicle'

By Desmond Quigley

Trafalgar House, which has been rapidly building up a publishing division, is to buy Throgmorton Publications, which publishes the *Investors Chronicle*, for £1.25m.

The purchase is being made by Trafalgar's subsidiary, Morgan-Grampian, which was acquired late last year at a cost of £20.5m, from the joint owners, the *Financial Times* and IPC Business Press, part of Reed International.

A statement last night said that the *FT* and IPC "are prepared to accept this offer subject to agreement on a number of points at present under discussion. It is hoped to conclude the agreement within the next week. The parties have agreed to make no further statement for the time being".

Mr Graham Sherran, chief executive of Morgan-Grampian, is understood to have given a verbal, though not written assurance, that there will be no redundancies.

Mr Sherran is understood to have said that Throgmorton should make a profit of about £160,000 in the financial year to March. This is double what the 1976 profits are believed to have been.

The takeover is part of the declared aim of Mr Victor Matthews, chairman of Beaverbrook Newspapers and chief executive of Trafalgar, to build up the business publications side of Morgan-Grampian, now firmly established in the field with spch magazines as *The Engineer* and *Accountants Weekly*.

The *Investors Chronicle's* circulation has recovered well since the magazine was revamped last August, and is now believed to be around 29,000 a week. However, this is still well below the 45,000-50,000 peak seen during the last bull market.

In addition to the *Investors Chronicle*, Throgmorton publishes *IC Newsletter*, a small circulation tipsheet, which is believed to contribute the main part of profits. It also controls the personal savings magazine *Money Management*.

It is understood that the nominees of the *FT* and IPC will be leaving the Throgmorton board and will be replaced by four Morgan-Grampian directors: Mr Sherran, Mr A. Z. J. R. Ross, Mr A. W. Thornhill and Mr B. W. Rowbottom, the finance director.

The three existing executive directors: Mr Michael Brett, the editor; Mr Don Eglington, the managing director, and Mr A. W. Broke-Smith, the advertising director, will remain on the board.

Trafalgar entered publishing last year and Mr Matthews said then that he intended to expand Morgan-Grampian's business publishing interests and then use the enlarged base to launch into more popular areas, such as women's magazines, sport and fashion.

Citibank holds prime rate at 8 pc

From Frank Vogl
Washington, Jan 13

Citibank announced today in New York that it was holding its prime lending rate at 8 per cent, but new money supply figures, showing sharp increases in the money stock, are fuelling speculation in the money markets that short-term interest rates will soon rise further.

This speculation, combined with expectations of some major economic statements by President Carter in the next few days, may upset financial markets next week.

In New York today, however, markets were unusually quiet, with businessmen blaming a snow storm, rather than economic factors.

President Carter is scheduled to deliver his State of the Union address next Thursday evening and informed sources said it will be devoted mainly to the economy and energy with the emphasis on the administration's determination to take measures that will strengthen private sector investment.

Administration sources said that by next Friday the President will have released the details of a new programme of fiscal measures to stimulate the economy. He will also have announced the details of a new anti-inflation programme.

The White House is now concluding work on legislative proposals involving tax cuts of $25,000m and possibly new public employment projects.

On the anti-inflation front the administration hopes to announce an agreement with business and union leaders aimed at ensuring wage and price increase moderation in the year ahead. These will be accompanied by details of the sort of wage and price increases the administration considers acceptable.

Whisky brands were withdrawn to protect exports, Distillers argue

From Michael Hornsby
Brussels, Jan 13

Distillers Company today defended the withdrawal of Johnny Walker Red Label and Dimple Haig whisky from the British market, despite warnings from the European Commission that this action was being examined for further breach of the EEC's Fair Trade rules. The Commission promised a ruling "as soon as possible".

Last month's decision by Distillers to withdraw the two brands, as well as the application to the Price Commission to be allowed to raise the price of four others by up to 50p a bottle, was itself a response to an earlier ruling by the Commission condemning the company's dual pricing policy for export and domestic sales.

Under EEC competition rules, refusal to sell certain brands in Britain could be considered an abuse of a dominant position, having the effect of "limiting markets to the prejudice of consumers". Distillers contends that this is hardly justified since the company still has 57 different brands on sale in Britain.

In talks here today with the Commission, senior Distillers' executives insisted that the action decided upon to comply with the ban on dual pricing "was taken not to dramatize the situation, but solely for the purpose of protecting export sales throughout the world".

The Distillers team pointed out that export sales accounted for 85 per cent of the company's Scotch whisky business and last year contributed £220m to the British balance of payments. Johnny Walker Red Label is the world's largest selling brand.

Distillers claimed that the dual pricing system had been necessary to cover the promotional costs incurred by its distributors abroad in competing against well entrenched continental spirits protected by discriminatory legislation and taxation. These costs had to be added to the price charged to British dealers intending to export to the rest of the EEC.

With the dual pricing system declared illegal, Distillers told the Commission, British dealers could no longer be charged this higher price for export sales. Accordingly the only way to protect the company's export market was to remove certain brands from sale in Britain or to raise their domestic prices.

At a press conference, Mr David Kerr, Distillers director responsible for EEC sales, said that if the Price Commission did not approve rises for Dewars, VAT 69, Black and White and White Horse brands, these too would probably have to be withdrawn from sale in Britain.

For its part, the European Commission has contended that raising home prices was not the right commercial answer because of strong competition on the British market from other whisky producers. By reducing export prices, on the other hand, the company could expect to increase sales abroad and provide more jobs at home.

Patricia Tisdall writes: A further ingredient to the complex price structure for whisky was added by the Scotch Whisky Association yesterday. The association recommended that export prices be raised by around 10 per cent to £11.15 a case of 12 bottles, to cover increased transport and other costs incurred in the past year.

The recommendation applies only to outside the United States, Britain and the rest of the EEC because of regulations governing restrictive trade agreements. However, it is customary for whisky producers to use the price recommendation as a guideline in setting individual prices for EEC sales.

Italian surplus masks stagnation in output

From John Earle
Rome, Jan 13

Italy's balance of payments swung from a 1,027,700m lire (£685m) deficit in 1976 to a 2,044,000m lire (£1,216m) surplus in 1977, according to provisional figures issued here today. December registered a surplus of 322,000m lire (£191m).

These apparently encouraging figures, however, mask a stagnation in domestic demand and a fall in industrial activity.

For the fifth successive month, industrial production decreased in November, by 5 per cent over November 1976 or, on a daily adjusted basis, by 7.9 per cent (November 1977 had one more working day).

The depressing outlook has prompted Confindustria, the confederation of private industry, to launch a recovery plan for increased capital investment to achieve a 4.5 per cent annual growth rate in production midway through the year, against the government's more modest target of 3 per cent.

To achieve this, Confindustria maintains that a 1,000,000m lire (£595m) deficit in the 1978 balance of payments would be acceptable instead of the government's projected 2,000,000m lire surplus provided the runaway public spending deficit is cut by 9,700,000m lire through higher taxes and service charges, and 4,000,000m lire are channelled into productive investment.

The economic depression, together with fears of the impending political crisis, are reported to have revived the clandestine outflow of capital.

On the black market the lira's rate against main currencies has worsened from about par at the beginning of the year to a discount of between 6 and 8 per cent.

Caroline Atkinson writes: The Italian foreign exchange markets virtually closed down yesterday as the lira plunged against other currencies on the reports of the imminent collapse of the government. There were also rumours—later denied—that new tighter exchange controls were about to be introduced to stop the outward flight of capital.

The lira dropped by nearly 3 per cent against the dollar to close in London at 890, down from 871 on Thursday. It is one of the few currencies which has fallen almost in line with the dollar in recent months, although before yesterday's nosedive it was a little higher in dollar terms than a year ago.

Importers in Japan car sales row

By Edward Townsend

Datsun UK last night launched a bitter attack on its rival in the British car market, Toyota GB, for issuing what it described as "inflammatory" and "irresponsible" statements on the issue of Japanese car sales in the United Kingdom.

At the same time Datsun said it considered the agreement between the motor industry associations of Japan and the United Kingdom under which the Japanese undertook not to increase significantly their share in the British market share, would remain in force in 1978.

In a letter to Toyota, Mr Maxwell Boyd, a Datsun director, said his company was shocked by the reported comments of Mr John Pride, Toyota's managing director, that Japanese car importers were freed this year of the agreement. "We have no wish to be associated in any way with such a statement", Mr Boyd said.

The strength of Datsun's reaction could signal the start of a new sales war between the Japanese importers. Datsun, the leading importer, has been accused of breaking the agreement, which explain Toyota's more aggressive sales policy for 1978.

Toyota said last night that it had not yet received the letter and did not wish to comment.

Vauxhall's £34m truck deal with Nigeria

Vauxhall Motors has achieved a major coup in the competitive world market for commercial vehicles by winning a £34m order from Nigeria to supply more than 9,000 Bedford trucks.

It is the biggest order to be received from Nigeria for Bedfords and puts the republic at the top of the league of Bedford export markets outside Europe.

The vehicles, all in the 6-10 ton gross weight class, will be shipped to Nigeria in knocked-down form for assembly there.

BP in drilling pact

A farm-in agreement between British Petroleum Development and Ranger Oil (UK) has been reached to allow drilling to go ahead on block 3/30 in the North Sea.

BP will earn a 50 per cent interest in Ranger's licence P229 in exchange for successfully meeting the drilling objectives.

Triang plant reprieved

Triang's toy factory at Merthyr Tydfil, South Wales, which was threatened with closure, has been reprieved. Mr John Morris, Secretary of State for Wales, yesterday said he had authorized the company to continue trading for another 12 months. He expected cuts in the 500-strong labour force and further economies to be introduced.

German growth slows

West Germany's gross national product grew by only 2.4 per cent in real terms last year, less than half the Government's 1977 target rate of 5 per cent and well down on the previous year's real GNP rise of 5.7 per cent.

Dr Burns also leaving Fed board

Washington, Jan 13

Dr Arthur Burns, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, will also be leaving the board once the United States Senate has confirmed the appointment of Mr William Miller his successor.

The White House said late today that Dr Burns had written to President Carter noting that he did not intend to remain a governor of the Fed.

Dr Burns could have remained on the board for another six years. He indicated in his letter that he intended to leave the Fed by March 31 at the latest.

The Senate banking committee will start confirmation hearings on Mr Miller's appointment in the final week of this month.

Boilermakers in fresh dispute

Swan Hunter, the Tyneside group which on Thursday salvaged part of the Polish ship order when 1,700 outfitters lifted a five-month overtime ban, is facing more trouble.

Shop stewards representing 3,500 boilermakers have called a mass meeting on Monday to consider the impact on their traditional differentials of the recent £5.40 "fair wages" award to the outfitters.

The boilermakers say the outfitters have been rewarded without sacrificing any of their working practices, or asked to increase flexibility and productivity. They will ask the men to endorse the ending of their own "interchangability" agreement.

Blow to Japan's farmers

Continued from page 1

Mr Takeo Fukuda, the Prime Minister, issued similar assurances to the summit meeting of leaders of industrialized nations in London in May last year, when Japan claimed that it would suffer a current account deficit of $700m. Instead it is expected to build up an embarrassing $10,000m surplus on current account.

There can be little doubt, however, that Washington and Japan's other main trading partners will reap benefits from today's bilateral agreement.

In a somewhat symbolic gesture, which has nevertheless antagonized the country's powerful political farm lobby, the Government has also agreed to treble the global quota of beef imports for hotel use to 10,000 tons this year. Most of the high quality beef is expected to be shipped into Japan from the United States.

Orange imports—another controversial political issue, are to be trebled to 45,000 tons and the quota on citrus fruit will be raised from 1,000 tons to 4,000 tons.

The agreement also contains a number of clauses designed to increase the volume of American imports and trim Washington's trade deficit with Japan, an estimated $8,000m this year.

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How the markets moved

The Times index: 202.67—0.35
The FT index: 480.9+1.5

Rises

ANZ Group	5p to 237p	Mills & Allen	5p to 115p
Booker McCon	5p to 233p	Pauls & Whites	5p to 126p
Brzithwaite	5p to 148p	Peko Wallsend	5p to 385p
Broken Hill	5p to 400p	Pride & Clarke	15p to 267p
Drake & Scull	1½p to 26p	Rank Org	5p to 262p
ICL	6p to 256p	Renwick Group	3p to 44p
Jarvis, J.	5p to 197p	Sunley, B.	8p to 222p
Leigh Int	6p to 167p	Tiger Oats	10p to 480p
Man Ship Canal	7p to 210p	Union Discount	10p to 448p
McCorquodale	8p to 253p	Wankie Colliery	2p to 40p

Falls

Assam Frontier	20p to 345p	Pilkington	10p to 433p
Durban Rood	18p to 245p	Southvaal	20p to 462p
Hickson Welch	20p to 545p	Thorn Electric	10p to 362p
Libanon	18p to 452p	Unilever	6p to 526p

Equities were quiet.
Gilt-edged securities were mixed.
Dollar premium 67.37 per cent (effective rate 24.24 per cent).
Sterling gained one cent to $1.9325. The effective exchange rate index was at 65.8.

Gold lost $0.50 an ounce to $172.625.
SDR-S was 1.21068 on Friday, while SDR-£ was 0.630234.
Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1424.7 (previous 1421.3).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.75	1.70
Austria Sch	30.75	28.75
Belgium Fr	65.50	62.50
Canada $	2.20	2.14
Denmark Kr	11.42	11.02
Finland Mkk	7.95	7.70
France Fr	9.32	9.00
Germany Dm	4.27	4.05
Greece Dr	79.00	75.50
Hongkong $	9.20	8.75
Italy Lr	1810.000	1695.00
Japan Yn	485.00	460.00
Netherlands Gld	4.56	4.34
Norway Kr	10.24	9.88
Portugal Esc	91.00	85.50
S Africa Rd	2.12	2.00
Spain Pes	155.00	159.00
Sweden Kr	9.30	8.95
Switzerland Fr	3.99	3.77
US $	1.98	1.92
Yugoslavia Dnr	40.00	37.75

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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PERSONAL INVESTMENT AND FINANCE

Grouse

The Post Office has just credited all subscribers who were connected to the telephone on both May 4, 1977, and October 1, 1977, with a rebate of £7. This, it will be recalled, was because of excess profits made in the year ending March 31, 1977, which means, to the alert, that this contrite gesture of recompense has not been unaccompanied by injustice and anomaly.

For example, those lucky enough to become telephone subscribers between April 1, 1977 and May 4, 1977, qualified for the £7 rebate though they contributed in no way to the excess profits being returned. On the other hand, all those who ceased to subscribe to telephone services at any time up to and including September 30, 1977, sacrificed all right to any rebate though they may have subscribed throughout the year in which the excess profits accrued.

"It is unfortunate", a Post Office spokesman said, "that there have to be hard cases, but this was the only economically and adminstratively possible way we could manage it, with eleven million residential lines concerned."

The insistence on bureaucratic convenience has not been the only difficulty in this case. Even worse has been the conduct of those local authorities who, on the plea that they pay some old people's telephone rentals, have appropriated the £7 rebate for themselves.

This piece of municipal legerdemain ignores page 48 of the Post Office accounts for the year ended March 31, 1977, which makes it quite clear that the excess profits were made, not on subscribers' rentals, but because the charges for actual calls were higher than they need have been.

Unit trusts

Another choice portfolio of funds



Brian Pepperall, managing director of Tyndall: high yield and good cover.



Brian Banks, managing director of Britannia: small growth stocks.



Audrey Head, managing director of Hill Samuel: US cheap and could get cheaper.



David Maitland, managing director of Save & Prosper: UK equities.



David Hopkinson, investment director of M & G: still growth oriented.



Tim Simon, chairman of Target: America is undervalued.

A year ago—on January 15, 1977—we published the unit trust tips for 1977 of the managing directors of the country's top ten unit trust groups (measured by size alone). We reasoned that investors new to unit trusts might not have the courage of their own convictions, but would be prepared to follow the wisdom of the men in the know—assuming that they could elicit the information somehow.

Well, we did it for them, and the results are laid out in the table below. (The percentage change over the twelve-month period is, incidentally, calculated on the offer-to-bid price, which more closely reflects the world of real, as opposed to paper, investors.)

The "hand-picked portfolio of funds" turned out to be quite a varied bag.

Unit-holders who had followed the tips could have either ended up with the best-performing unit trust of the year—*M & G's Recovery fund* picked by M & G's investment director David Hopkinson—or indeed one of the poorer—Nat-West's Financial fund, picked by investment manager Eric Barnes.

However, there is some consolation in the fact that not one of the ten managing directors/managers managed to pick an outright "stumer": all ended up with a positive change, in contrast to the cluster of minus signs at the bottom of our performance tables this weekend.

Now we have asked them to continue the exercise by again choosing the most likely looking runner from their management group stable.

One may argue that managing directors, as some of our nominators are, are not the most appropriate people to make an investment selection. However, they are in the forefront of any marketing carried out by their management groups and willy-nilly their investment choice, supported as it inevitably is by advice from the backroom boys in the investment department, is going to be passed on to the countless professional advisers, such as solicitors and accountants, whom most of them meet in the course of their duties.

The most startling feature, to my mind, about the 1978 choices is that only three out of the 10 managers have selected their Wall Street or North American funds as their personal front-runners for the year. My surprise is based not on my own individual conviction that this is going to be the year of the United States funds, but simply that before Christmas one heard nothing else from fund managers but the outstanding virtues and promises offered by Wall Street for 1978.

Those promises, however, have been sung so often and so regularly since 1968—the last time any unit trust specializing in Wall Street did well—that I have become cynical about their ever coming right. I expect they will, one day, of course, but whether 1978 will be the year is another matter.

Those who have chosen American funds as their 1978 nap, like Mark St Giles of Allied Hambro, seem to have done so for the perfectly respectable, but rather negative, reason that the American market will end the year higher than it began, unlike the United Kingdom market.

Audrey Head, of Hill Samuel, and Tim Simon, of Target, express the same sentiment rather differently by saying that Wall Street is undervalued compared with the United Kingdom.

The reasons for the change of heart about Wall Street centre on the weakness of the dollar and the dilatory approach of the United States authorties to correcting it. However, the basic long-term view that the American market must some time "come right" has not been shelved, merely postponed.

David Maitland, of Save and Prosper, and Ken Storey, of Barclays Unicorn, both toyed with the idea of nominating their United States funds, but declined to do so on the grounds of timing. With a twelve-month horizon both prefer to stay with the United Kingdom, in a widely differing choice of funds, rather than go to Wall Street which they see instead as realizing their hopes within the next two to three years.

Two other trends are evident in the 1978 list of funds. High yielders, nominated by Brian Pepperall, of Tyndall, and Hubert Morris, of Lloyds Bank, are back in favour. So too are the smaller companies, which may fall into the special situation class, chosen by David Hopkinson, of M & G, Brian Banks, of Britannia, and Ken Storey, manager of Barclays Unicorn.

In their different ways both selections are a product of the second phase of the bull market (readers may remember that I used this phrase this time last year, showing how easily writers on the subject get it wrong, too).

High yielders benefit both as being last in the list of shares to rise and first in the list of shares to be bought for defensive purposes; and from a purely marketing point of view managers seem to believe that these funds are what unitholders are looking for once more. Second-liners and special situation shares can be the rag, tag and bobtail of the market rise and early candidates in a bout of takeover fever, classically a symptom of a "toppy" market.

There are two "straight down the middle of the road" nominations. David Maitland, alone of the 10, is sticking with the United Kingdom Equity fund, which is a broadly based fund of shares in big companies, a typical unit trust. John Sherriff, the newly appointed investment manager to NatWest's unit trusts, has gone for the Growth fund for United Kingdom growth with some exposure to international markets.

If one looks back at 1977 it was precisely this exposure to overseas markets, either through direct investment or holdings in large United Kingdom exporters, which let down most of the fund managers, including David Maitland, Tim Simon, Eric Barnes, Kenneth Plummer, of Lloyds Bank, and Brian Pepperall.

Not totally confident of the United Kingdom market, they had looked for some protection from their overseas involvement, but by the year-end this protection was non-existent. The financial sector was an outright disaster last year, which showed up in the choice of those who thought it might come right.

Head and shoulders above the rest were Recovery, chosen by David Hopkinson, and the other recovery funds—Allied's Second Smaller Companies, chosen by Mark St Giles, and the Britannia Property fund, chosen by Brian Banks.

Their choice was excellent—and perhaps the success also reflects the life-style of the groups; alone of the ten (although S & P followed suit last year) all have investment men as an integral part of the top management. What is more, unlike, say, the bank groups, each group has a broad spectrum of specialist funds from which to make its choice. Are there some lessons to be drawn?

Margaret Stone

THE MANAGERS' UNIT TRUST PORTFOLIO

1977 Fund	% rise 15/1/77 to 12/1/78 (offer to bid)	Management group	Nominated by	1978 Fund	Offer price p	Yield %	Reasons for choice
UK Equity	23.2	Save & Prosper	David Maitland	Equity	47.3	4.51	Stick with broadly based UK fund
Recovery	102.1	M & G	David Hopkinson	Special	157.5	4.11	Portfolio like Recovery fund
Financial	18.6	Barclays Unicorn	Ken Storey	Unicorn 500	75.6	5.68	Smaller companies boosted by takeovers
Property	58.2	Britannia	Brian Banks	Status change	30.2	4.50	2nd line stocks
2nd Smaller Cos	62.3	Allied Hambro	Mark St. Giles	Secs of America	46.1	3.25	Will do better than UK by end-78
Financial	24.6	Hill Samuel	Audrey Head	Dollar	67.8	2.29	US cheap relative to rest of world
Intntl earnings	17.4	Tyndall	Brian Pepperall	London Wall High Income	64.0	8.2	Further growth in high yielders with good cover
Equity	18.5	Target	Tim Simon	Eagle	23.2	1.47	Wall Street undervalued
Second	8.2	Lloyds Bank	Kenneth Plummer (1977) Hubert Morris (1978)	Fourth	62.4	7.51	Income with some capital
Financial	5.4	NatWest	Eric Barnes (1977) John Sherriff (1978)	Growth	88.7	4.89	UK market with international flavour

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Round-up

Storm losses • Grocery price cuts

While householders in the east of the country are ruefully examining their damaged or non-existent chimney stacks and lost tiles, if not whole roofs, the insurance industry is still trying to assess the overall cost of this week's storm damage.

Because the bad weather was spread over such a wide area it is difficult to estimate the amount of such damage. However, an impression shared by many insurance offices is that it was not as bad as that after the storms of January, 1976, which caused havoc to the tune of £20m.

Most householders will be covered by their householders' comprehensive policy which, with very few exceptions, gives protection against storm damage and floods. But damage to fences and gates, generally reckoned to be steadily deteriorating assets in the eyes of insurers, are usually excluded from this cover.

Consumers throughout the United Kingdom must be patting themselves on the back this weekend after the widely reported cuts in the prices of leading brands of instant coffee and the decision of the Sainsbury supermarket chain to follow arch rival Tesco in cutting prices by up to 15 per cent on 150 or so grocery items in its stores.

The price war is raging in the high street—to the distinct advantage of the consumer. It arose because the major stores groups have been under pressure. Last year the volume of food sales in the United Kingdom fell by about 4 per cent, with shoppers forced to cut back in the face of the declining level of real incomes.

Instant coffee was a classic case. The huge rise in the coffee price and the consequent sharp increase in "instant" products meant that consumers simply drank less—there was a fall in consumption of about a fifth.

But, in reality the reductions since made by leading instant coffee manufacturers and retailers owe more to the winds of internecine competition than to consumer resistance and lowered demand. Coffee consumption has been low for months, but the only comment by Maxwell House and Nescafé on the effective boycott of their higher priced products in Tesco stores was that it was simply taking them longer to work through their existing stocks of beans.

It was the threat of competition from imported supplies from Holland organized by Sainsbury that finally seems to have caused the change of heart.

Similarly, across-the-board cuts on grocery lines owe more to the growing power of the discount and edge-of-town stores than to the volume decline. An important factor in Sainsbury's decision this week was the fact that inflation in food prices has slowed down from 20 to 10 per cent, making the impact of the price cuts more significant to the housewife.

Pensions

Depending on a lump sum

The best modern occupational pension schemes provide, on a member's death while he is still working, both a lump sum and also, if the member was a married man, a widow's or orphan's pension. The inclusion of widows' pensions has become increasingly widespread in recent years, and the influence of the new state scheme will encourage this trend.

There remain, nevertheless, a large number of schemes which allow only a lump sum. True, there are tax advantages in lump sums and these may be used to justify such a structure. Equally, there is greater flexibility in dealing with dependants other than widows.

The most important reason in the past, however, has been the cost—not so much the cost of a substantial benefit in one form or other, as the cost of the smallest benefit which will be held by the members to be of value. A flat £1,000 lump sum for example, might seem a worthwhile benefit, but a widow's pension of two or three pounds a week—with no possibility of increases to offset inflation—would probably be considered derisory.

The attitude of both employers and scheme members has changed in recent years. There is an appreciation on both sides that a lump sum of this sort of size is totally inadequate by way of financial support for a widow, particularly one with a family to look after. The level of lump sum allowed—if that is the only benefit—needs to be at least two or three times the member's pay if it is to do anything at all to alleviate financial hardship.

At this level, the corresponding widow's pension begins to look more worthwhile, too. There is, moreover, a danger in putting large sums of money in the hands of people with no knowledge or experience of investment, particularly at a time of emotional upheaval when judgement would, in any case, be clouded.

Particularly is this undesirable when these large sums are the only provision for widowhood other than the state benefit.

The result has been an increasing trend towards a combination of a widow's pension with a lump sum of one or possibly two years' pay. By this means there is a continuing benefit if the lump sum is spent unwisely, or is applied to some other beneficiary than a widow.

There are two major circumstances in which there is a need to support someone other than the widow and a lump sum payment supplies the means of doing so. One is where, in addition to his wife, the member was maintaining some other person—parent, relative, or mistress.

The other case is where there is no widow, but there is another dependant. By far the most important situation of this type concerns women who are increasingly becoming eligible for membership of pension schemes. Their husbands may not normally be wholly dependent on them but their contribution towards the household finances may be extremely important.

It is only in recent years that pension schemes have been allowed to provide a pension for a widower, except where he was dependent on his wife—a pension may be provided for a dependant, or for a widow irrespective of dependency. So far, very few schemes have taken advantage of the change; any benefit for widowers is, in the normal way, in the form of a lump sum there being no pension payable after the death of a woman.

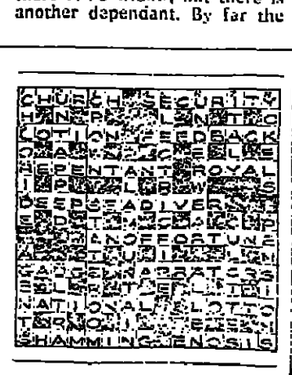
The restriction on providing for relatives other than a widow or widower or a dependant does not extend to lump sums. The trustees may be given—and normally are given—wide powers to make payment to a suitable recipient, or may pay the money to the estate of the deceased member where, of course, it is disposed of in accordance with the member's will.

Thus there is flexibility not only to deal with situations not otherwise covered but also to cope with changes in the personal or domestic circumstances of the member.

Eric Brunet

Competition winner

Thank you for your huge response to the "Financial Fanatics" New Year's Eve crossword competition. Unfortunately, there can be only one winner. The first correct entry to be picked out was from Mr R. E. Clarke, of Stockbridge, Hampshire. To him goes our warmest congratulations and a £5 book token.



Offers

Chieftain Trust Managers is making another fixed price offer of its High Income Units at 44.2p this week. Also of interest to income seeking investors is the new Preference and Gilt trust launched by Schlesinvers. The bulk of the fund will be invested in preference shares, with only 20 per cent in gilts, since most interest received by a unit trust from gilts is subject to corporation tax.

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Taxation

Horse sense and the tools of your trade

The expenses of a business are divisible into two major categories, revenue and capital. The former is wholly deductible for tax purposes, subject to the proviso that what the business person may regard as revenue expenditure is not necessarily in accord with the Inland Revenue's interpretation.

So far as capital expenditure is concerned, to the extent that it relates to plant and machinery there is, and has been since March, 1972, a 100 per cent tax allowance (known as a "first year allowance").

The rub is that the word "plant" is not defined in the taxing Acts and it has been left to be courts over the years to debate whether a particular item is "plant" for tax purposes.

The most quoted judge on the definition of "plant" is Lord Justice Lindley, who, in the case of *Yarmouth v France* (1887) said: "There is no definition of plant in the Act, but in its ordinary sense, it includes whatever apparatus is used by a business man for carrying on his business—not his stock-in-trade which he buys or makes for sale, but all goods and chattels, fixed or moveable, live or dead, which he keeps for permanent employment in his business."

His particular deliberations were confined to a horse, which he decided was "plant" and, although the decision was made for the purpose of the Employers' Liability Act, 1880, it has held good for tax purposes too.

Since that time many other judges have had to apply their learned minds in debating whether certain items of capital expenditure are plant. Most of the cases have concerned assets for physical use such as partitions, dry docks, cutting knives, shoemakers' tools and swimming pools.

One very important, and fairly recent, case which went to the Court of Appeal in January, 1977, concerned lawbooks; assets used *intellectually* rather than physically (Munby v Furlong 1977). It attracted a great deal of interest because exactly the same principle had been debated in the High Court some 50 years earlier, in the case of Daphne v Shaw (1926).

The Inland Revenue had won the day and Mr Daphne, who conducted his own case, never appealed to the next court up the hierarchy.

Mr Munby, who took it upon himself to try to upset the long lived-with decision, started to practice at the Chancery Bar in September, 1972, and the case concerns his library. At the outset it was necessary to buy a set of law reports and textbooks. The law reports have a long life, and the textbooks a life of four to nine years, so they were all regarded as capital expenditure.

The periodicals, such as *Weekly Law Reports* and *All England Law Reports* were not in contention, as the Inland Revenue agreed that this was revenue expenditure. The question then, to be decided, was whether the capital expenditure could be defined as plant in order to attract the 100 per cent allowance.

Mr Munby lost his case before the General Commissioners who followed with reluctance the decision in Daphne v Shaw. He appealed to the High Court where Mr Justice Fox expressed doubt about rejecting it, but took the view that any extension of the definition of the word "plant" ought to be made by a higher court.

In the Court of Appeal all three judges took a much broader view of the word "plant". Lord Denning's summing up was this: "Mr Medd (the barrister acting for the Inland Revenue) in his excellent argument before us, would confine a professional man's 'plant' to things used physically like a dentist's chair or an architect's table, or, I suppose, the typewriter in a barrister's chambers: but, for myself, I do not think 'plant' should be confined to things which are used physically.

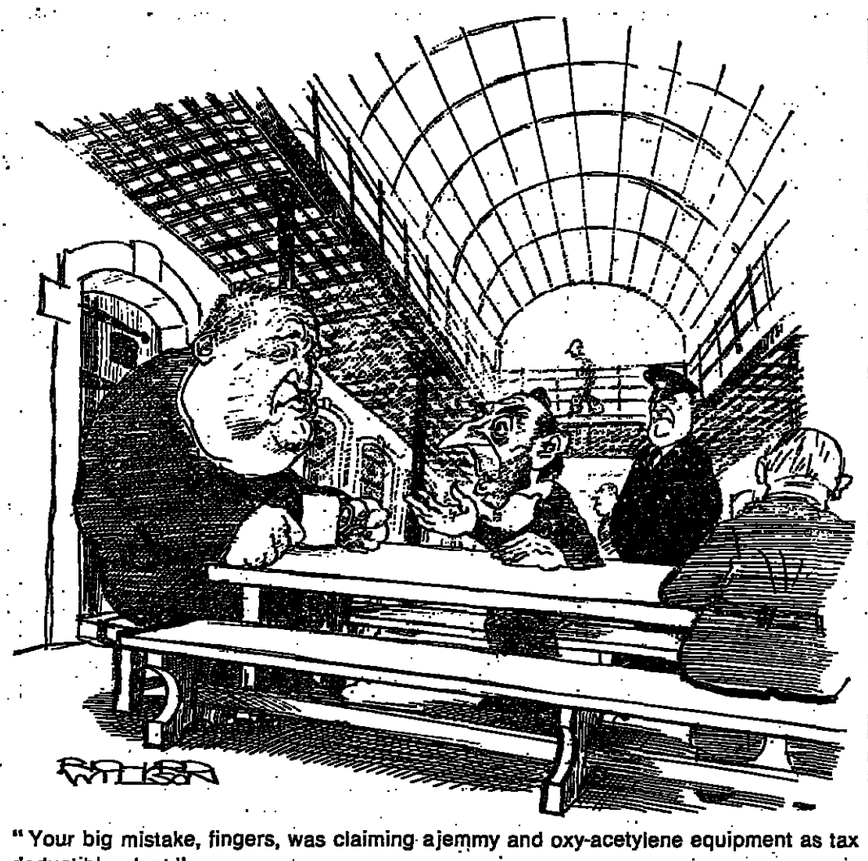
"It seems to me that on principle it extends to the intellectual storehouse which a barrister or a solicitor or any other professional man has in the course of carrying on his profession."

". . . It seems to me, in the context of a profession, the provision of 'plant' should be so interpreted that a lawyer's books—his set of law reports and his textbooks—are 'plant'. Although I know many years have passed since the decision in Daphne, the time has now come when this court should say that it would not be decided in the same way today.

"It may have been all very well in Mr Justice Rowlatt's day, but the course of decisions since has shown that that decision should no longer be relied upon. I would therefore allow this appeal and hold the library to be plant."

The other two judges agreed and Mr Mumby won his case. Not that it will necessarily end there. Leave was given for the Inland Revenue to appeal to the House of Lords on condition that they pay the appellant's costs, so the final words on the matter have yet to be said.

Vera Di Palma



"Your big mistake, fingers, was claiming a jemmy and oxy-acetylene equipment as tax deductible plant."

Investor's week

Much to trouble the market

• An uncertain outlook

It has been a fairly depressing week for the stock market with the weight of adverse background news proving too much for investors' nerves.

Second-line stocks occasionally attracted reasonable demand as bargains were sought at lower levels, but blue chips were largely ignored and the *FT* ordinary share index lost 16.4 to 480.9 over the five days.

Most dealers see the index at 500 as the limit of their short-term expectations and draw little comfort from the week's trading. Many thought that equities would need a little encouragement to go better, being inhibited by sensitivity to factors like the slide on Wall Street, industrial uncertainty at home and worries over the money supply and the Government's future plans for public spending.

Lacking the inspiration of a likely cut in minimum lending rate gilt-edged stocks were also cautious after a nervous start to the week. This was caused by the surprise announcement of a new £800m long "tap"—news which had been expected the previous Friday.

The move at first caused some confusion in the fixed-interest market and matters were not helped the next day by banking figures which led many to believe that the Government had not been as successful as previously thought in curbing the money supply growth.

Early in the week equities also had a cross to bear in the form of J. Sainsbury's announcement of price cuts over a wide range of grocery products. This had an immediate impact on shares of food retailers and manufacturers and also cast a shadow over some industrial shares as dealers contemplated the consequences of similar moves in other consumer areas.

However, by Wednesday equities and gilts were looking much steadier as the selling of the previous two days dried up and was replaced by selective demand.

This muted optimism was quickly overtaken the next day when the Government published its White Paper outlining its public spending plans. Though none of the details were unexpected the market took a bearish view, with equity prices falling sharply and gilts fluctuating sharply.

End of account profit taking also proved a depressing factor in equities, while in gilts the new long "tap" was quoted at a small discount on its £30 partly paid price when dealing started yesterday.

Though the protracted firemen's strike is over, industrial problems are likely to influence market sentiment over the coming weeks. Power men who are due to negotiate over pay in the near future and the oil tanker drivers will be watched carefully, since both have indicated that they would seek a settlement well above the Government's 10 per cent guideline.

Fears of a high street "price war" were particularly severe on Sainsbury itself, down 27p to 180p, and Kwik Save Discount, which slumped 30p to 205p. Many analysts think that the impact will be even more severe on the food manufacturers, though this has not yet shown up in market prices.

At the end of the week came results from Thorn, which had suffered beforehand on nervous selling. Events justified the market's scepticism with profits at the bottom end of the range of expectations. The shares dropped 28p to 362p.

Yesterday's cut in the mortgage rate brought little response from housebuilders and other shares. They have performed well over the past month in anticipation of such a move and as such it was discounted.

The volatile Oil Exporation lost 26p to 278p as long-standing hopes of a bid started to fade. There was also talk of a "dry" well, though this was not substantiated.

David Mott

MAIN CHANGES OF THE WEEK

Rises

Year's high	Year's low	Company	Movement	Comment
155p	34p	ERF	11p to 150p	Good interim and scrip
325p	145p	Ldn Pavilion	185p to 325p	Unwelcome approach
102p	40p	Rowlinson Con	12p to 100p	Buying in thin market
80p	67p	Piccadilly Theatre	7p to 80p	Speculative demand
267p	104p	Pride & Clarke	27p to 267p	Suspended after approach

Falls

445p	325½p	ICI	15p to 340p	Market trend
274p	131p	Kwik Save	30p to 205p	High Street "price war" fears
322p	77p	Oil Expl	26p to 278p	"Dry well" talk and fading bid hopes
255p	130p	Sainsbury	27p to 180p	Price cuts
450p	196p	Thorn	28p to 362p	Disappointing figures

Insurance

When life cover begins at 65

Many employers provide quite generous life assurance cover for those working for them: most men with family commitments also arrange term assurance or family income protection.

At retirement, however, much of an employer's life cover will cease and any term assurance or family income benefits protection is likely to have expired by then.

When making financial plans in the past, it may have been assumed by many married men that there would be adequate provision for their wives after their deaths—from the widow's pension which would be payable, any capital which may have been accumulated (perhaps from a life policy maturing at the age of 65) and so on.

In practice, under an occupational scheme the widow's pension may not be particularly high and inflation is likely to have eroded the value of capital; or it may have had to be used to buy an annuity to provide a supplementary pension during retirement.

So, at retirement, how can a man provide for his wife after his death, on the reasonable assumption that he is likely to predecease her by some years?

An apparently obvious form of "cheap" life cover is term assurance, which pays a set figure if death occurs during a predetermined period. Some policies provide for the sum assured to increase, but it can be argued that for anyone of retirement age this may not be necessary.

Admittedly, inflation will reduce the purchasing power of the fixed sum. But the longer the period before a claim, the shorter the time during which the widow will have to live on the benefit. And, leaving aside fluctuations in market rates of interest, if she decides to buy an annuity, the older she is the better will be the return offered by an insurance company.

In theory, therefore, term assurance may be best; but there is still the difficult problem of not knowing exactly when death will occur. There is the very real risk of arranging protection at significant cost for a given period and surviving to the end of the period.

Once again, one would be faced with no cover. To buy it then would be much more expensive or almost impossible, if, for instance, one should be in poor health by then.

As an example, 10-year term assurance for £10,000 for a 65-year-old man will cost about £370 a year. But there is the risk of living for 10 years and making no claim. That is what keeps down the premium.

To be absolutely sure, the best plan is to take whole life assurance. This will pay at death, *whenever* it occurs. Also, should one's wife die first, the policy probably could be surrendered (albeit for a relatively poor value) or could be made paid up, so that something would be payable at death and there would be no further premium to pay.

If a whole life policy is taken, should it be "non-profit" or "with profit"?—bearing in mind that for a given sum assured the latter will be more expensive, although the claim value will increase over the years as bonuses are declared.

A £10,000 non-profit policy for a 65-year-old man will have an annual premium of about £550 (compared with £370 for 10-year term assurance), and it would be about £800 for a with-profit policy—although, if one should die when the actuaries predict, the claim value could have reached £18,000 or so.

Probably this is one case where a "bird in the hand" is preferable: level cover under a non-profit policy may, therefore, be best, for a sufficiently high figure from the outset.

After all, one can use the same argument that although inflation will reduce purchasing power, if the aim is simply to provide for one's widow, the longer one lives the less she will need, as her life expectancy will be that much shorter.

John Drummond

Unit trust performance

Growth and specialist funds (progress this year and the past three years). Unitholder index +2072.5; rise from January 1, 1978: −0.8%. Average change offer to bid, net income included, over past 12 months: +25.2%; over past three years: +123.9%.
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& G Recovery	101.0	299.0
mbro Smaller Co's	91.3	285.0
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icorn Recovery	45.3	167.3
it Gibbs Growth	44.2	—
dance Opport	43.9	153.4
ndall Scot Capital	43.5	62.4
pel Capital	41.5	—
uthnot Comp	39.4	214.0
itannia Prof	38.8	101.4
uthnot Growth	37.2	100.0
escent Growth	37.0	236.8
bey Capital	34.7	188.5
eanic Index	33.8	135.4
o Capital	33.6	—
beg Capital	32.7	121.3
t & Com Capital F	32.4	160.5
kford Trust	31.9	126.0
Capital	31.3	146.0
acorn Growth	31.1	161.4
atton F	31.0	127.9
& G Compound	30.9	107.2
mbro Accum	30.6	141.4
nguard Growth	29.6	163.2
nulife Growth	29.2	—
itannia Growth	28.6	135.7
y Equity & Gen	27.8	97.3
ison Dudley	27.5	75.0
roder Capital F	27.2	160.3
it Com & Ind	27.1	—
ltannia Shield	24.9	68.5
idge Capital	24.4	121.6
deur Mark Lead	22.2	—
it Capital Acc	21.1	112.3
d UK Grow Acc	19.4	88.3
arl Growth	18.7	142.4
rget Growth	17.5	105.4
w Court Equity	15.6	47.5
rt Com Share	15.5	95.9
& G Magnum	13.2	51.6
eholders F	9.7	57.9
nton Growth	6.5	24.3
me Growth	5.6	−12.7
tional West Cap	4.9	87.8
tmore Insurance	4.0	86.0
val Trust Cap	3.9	62.6
Mid Drayton Com	15.5	34.8
Arbuthnot Pref	15.3	88.6
Practical	14.7	145.3
Brit Uni Energy	14.5	—
S & P ITU	14.3	122.5
Charterhouse Fit	12.6	107.6
Gt Winch O'seas M	12.0	95.7
Bishopsgate Int F	11.0	139.3
Nat West Finan	9.1	71.9
L & C International	9.0	70.2
S & P Commodity	8.3	66.2
Henderson Nat Res	8.0	29.7
Key Fixed Interest	5.4	—
S & P Scotbits	4.8	71.3
Trident Nil Yield	3.8	—
S & P Financial	3.4	76.1
London & Brussels	2.4	10.2
Henderson Euro	−0.9	14.2
Henderson Inter	−2.0	53.6
GT US & General	−2.5	11.0
M & G European	−2.5	26.0
Target Eagle	−2.6	58.1
Schroder Europe M	−2.7	5.6
S & P Energy	−3.7	69.3
Bridge Inter	−4.3	51.2
Charter European	−5.1	30.5
Arbuth East & Int	−6.0	29.7
Hill Samuel Int	−6.5	58.2
Stewart American	−6.5	108.5
Britannia Property	63.4	70.3
Oceanic Financial	53.2	54.5
Britannia New Issue	50.2	84.2
Britannia Finan Secs	46.3	—
London Wall Finan	43.6	135.5
Arbuth Fin & Prop	37.4	111.8
Brit Gold & Gen	34.2	−29.5
Lawson Raw Mat	32.5	—
Henderson Finan	30.2	22.9
Hill Samuel Fin	30.1	173.9
Lawson Gilt	29.1	70.7
Key Energy	28.8	—
Target Investment	28.7	152.1
Britannia Assets	26.6	127.4
Britannia Minerals	26.5	−53.5
Brit Invest Trust	25.9	—
Unicorn Financial	24.4	154.7
Target Financial	24.2	105.8
Target Preference	23.3	104.3
Arbuth Com Share	22.5	153.1
M & G Investment	21.5	131.0
Oceanic Investment	20.9	88.6
Arbuthnot Capital	20.6	94.9
M & G Commodity	19.1	—
Abbey Investment	18.2	136.4
Hambro O'seas Earn	18.1	—
Target Gilt Fund	17.6	—
Allied Met Min Com	17.3	73.6
Brit Com Shares	16.7	94.6
Security Select F	16.3	64.4

SPECIALIST	A	B
S & P Capital	1.3	91.8
Mid Drayton Cap	−1.0	90.7
M & G Con Grow	−5.1	46.9
SP Select Int	−5.3	65.3
S & P Univ Growth	−8.9	52.5
Mid Drayton Grow	−9.7	83.3
Hambro Secs of Am	−20.7	35.4
Lawson American	−20.8	−7.2
Trident American	−21.3	9.8
M & G American	−21.4	73.4
Trident Inter	−24.2	18.1
Gartmore Far East	−24.5	—
Henderson N Amer	−24.5	1.5
Midland Drayton In	−25.7	26.7
Unicorn America	−25.8	12.4
M & G Japan	−26.6	54.8
S & P US Growth	−27.2	20.0
S & P Japan Growth	−27.4	50.3
Antony Gibbs FE	−34.5	—
London Wall Inter	−6.9	65.8
Mercury Internat	−8.7	—
S & P European	−9.0	29.5
Crescent Inter	−9.5	69.1
Britannia Far East	−9.5	17.7
Endeavour	−10.0	55.3
Britannia Int Grow	−10.3	33.7
Britannia N America	−10.8	13.3
NPI Overseas	−11.5	21.8
Rowan American	−12.0	8.6
Gartmore Internat	−12.5	16.2
Henderson Austral	−12.5	−15.8
M & G Far Eastern	−12.5	85.9
Charterhouse Inter	−13.6	57.7
Chieftain Internat	−14.0	—
Hill Samuel Dollar	−14.1	50.2
Arbuthnot Foreign	−14.2	20.7
Arbuthnot N Am In	−14.6	11.2
Allied Hambro Pacif	−15.3	56.7
Unicorn Worldwide	−15.5	29.1
GT Japan & Gen	−16.8	84.5
M & G Australasian	−17.2	10.8
Unicorn Australia	−17.4	1.7
Target International	−17.4	23.9
Allied Hambro Int	−17.6	20.0
Henderson Far East	−18.2	113.9
Grantchester	−18.3	44.6
Oceanic Overseas	−18.6	−14.2
New Court Int	−18.8	−15.5
Gartmore American	−19.6	—
Target Commodity	16.0	122.6

A: Change since January 13, 1977 offer to bid, income reinvested.
B: Change since January 9, 1975 offer to bid, income reinvested. Both taken to January 12, 1978.
M: Trust valued monthly.
F: Trust valued every two weeks.

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£9,990	15	£6,420 p.a.
£12,540	20	£8,241 p.a.
£15,680	25	£10,530 p.a.
£19,530	30	£13,401 p.a.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Thorn takes spark out of early rally

No news was good news for the stock markets yesterday. As the day passed without the announcement of a new short "tap" and with little happening on the industrial front to upset sentiment the *FT* index drifted up to close 1.5 better at 480.9. For the week the fall was 16.4 and for the account, 4.5.

Many of the leaders ended quietly easier with much of the day's interest centring on second line stocks. Even the well-forecast cut in the mortgage rate could do little to stimulate any action on one of the quietest day's trading this year.

In gilts there was little demand for the new long "tap" which made its debut at a ¼ discount on the £30 partly paid price but closed, in dull trading, at par. Elsewhere among the longer dated securities there was some buying on yield considerations and many closed at their best levels of the day with gains of ¼ to ⅜. There was little interest in "shorts" which ended unchanged to ¼ better.

John Brown, at 233p, have been attracting interest ahead of figures due at the end of this month. Dealers are looking for around £15m against a previous £10.8m and there are hopes that the dividend may be doubled through a rights issue.

Thorn Electrical took the spark out of an early rally with disappointing half-timers and a chairman's warning that trading in the second six months may be little improved. After climbing a penny or two in anticipation of the figures the shares slumped 16p at one point but some buying on weakness and bear closing took them back up to finish 10p off at 362p.

The dampening effect on industrials knocked 2p to 6p off GEC at 267p, ICI at 340p, Beecham at 653p, Glaxo at 593p, Dunlop at 85p and Unilever at 526p. GKN closed unchanged at 268p.

But with many investors still mulling over the effects of the Government's White Paper on public spending, announced earlier this week, there were few bargains marked among the "blue chip" stocks.

Beer shares were pumped up following further reflection on the Allied referral to the prices commission. Thoughts that Thursday's cuts had been overdone brought the buyers back into the sector. Guinness led the way with a gain of 2p to 186p while Allied at 87p, Bass Charrington at 152p and Whitebread 'A' at 91p all showed rises of a penny. Scottish & Newcastle, which revealed disappointing figures a couple of days ago, firmed 1½p to 65½p.

The Price Commission's probe into beer prices should do little more than delay the increases by about three months according to brokers W. Greenwell and if an interim rise is granted over the next week or so, year end figures will be little effected.

In whiskies, Distillers added a penny to 169p after clarifying its position to the EEC.

On the takeover front Harcros Investment added 1p to 83p while Leisure and General at 68½p also gained a point after accepting higher offer terms from Ladbroke down 2p at 199p. Blakey's Castings returned from suspension at 42p, a penny above Centreway's offer price.

Profit-taking clipped 20p off Hickson & Welch, more than offsetting the 10p rise which stemmed from Thursday's good results.

Speculative interest for the next account added 4p to Camford Engineering at one point. Dealers reported a good turnover and the shares ended 2p up at 62p.

Elsewhere adverse comment trimmed 2½p from English China Clays at 77p and Hestair lost 6p to 113p after a midweek rise.

End of account "bear" closing meant that the food retailing shares had their best session since Sainsbury sprung its "bombshell" earlier in the week.

The share itself was lowered another 3p to 180p, but for the most part there were gains with Kwik Save putting on a penny to 205p. Associated Dairies closing 2p better at 237p and both Nurdin & Peacock at 104p and Linfood at 162p, a penny or so better.

On the takeover front Harcros Investment added 1p to 83p while Leisure and General and related shares. Such shares have performed strongly over the past month or so and with the reduction already discounted end of account influences proved the stronger pull.

Countryside Properties managed to gain 2p to 35p and Fairview Estates held steady at 103p. But profit taking lowered Barratt Developments 2p to 122p, after 120p, and Crest Homes where the drop was 1p to 72p. Elsewhere in building Tarmac was another to be hit by end of account closing with the shares losing 4p to 134p.

Motor issues had a particularly weak spot in Lucas which dipped 7p to 271p but gearbox maker Turner Manufacturing managed to hold on to 102p in spite of profits which were below par and a warning that worse might be on the way. Lorry maker ERF continued to respond to its earlier buoyant profits and scrip, rising another 2p to 150p and gaining 11p on the week.

Elsewhere in the sector Avon Rubber dipped 4p to 188p on profit taking after a speculative rise and news of Toyota dealers Pride & Clarke's suspension came as no surprise after the group's strength this week. The shares were suspended at 267p, a gain of 15p on the day and 27p on the week, and the company has received an approach from an undisclosed source.

Oil shares were subdued by the downgrading of estimates for the Piper and Claymore Fields, the more so because estimates were raised only in the middle of last year.

Of shares directly affected Thomson Organisation slipped another 18p to 642p. The other feature, albeit weak, in the sector was Oil Exploration which lost another 4p to 272p on fading takeover hopes and further talk of a "dry" well.

Random firm spots were to be found in Vibroplant which added 3p to 165p, Johnson Matthey, where the gain was 4p to 470p and Reed International, up 3p to 138p. Companies reporting included insurance broker Christopher Moran which dipped 2p to 63p. Sidlaw which brought a favourable response with a rise of 2p to 99p and Wearwell which ended steady at 19½p.

Equity turnover on January 12 was £76.035m (14,057 bargains). According to Exchange Telegraph active stocks yesterday were BP, Shell, Grand Metropolitan, ICI, Hickson & Welch, Reed Int, Ryl Insurance, Consolidated Gold, Associated Dairies, Imperial Group, Barclays and Distillers.

Up 12p to 109p in the last couple of days Rowlinson Construction has been attracting speculative support. Jobbers say they have turned over around 20,000 shares in a two-way trade and think someone is building up a stake. Last month this Stockport-based group said it was encouraged by the response to an expansion into the West and West Midland areas.

Latest results

Company	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Int or Fin						
Avenue Close (I)	—(—)	0.17(0.14)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
First Nat Fin (F)	—(—)	4.8a(32.1a)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(Nil)
Grange Trust (F)	—(—)	0.37(0.35)	2.36(2.12)	1.32(1.1)	3/3	2.1(1.8)
C. Moran Grp (I)	4.3(0.90)	1.06(0.73)	—(—)	1.0(2.6)	20/3	—(—)
Sidlaw Ind (F)	37.9(38.9)	1.18(1.18)	10.67(0.02)	4.51(3.88)	15/3	6.01(5.38)
Tech Inv (I)	—(—)	0.45(0.38)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Thorn Elec (I)	584.1(542.4)	46.1(42.3)	15.2(13.8)	2.45(2.22)	3/3	—(6.5)
Turner Manuf (F)	25.44(19.63)	3.39(2.28)	26.2(16.7)	2.29(2.22)	—	3.99(3.57)
Wearwell (I)	2.15(2.14)	0.11(0.08)	0.91(0.77)	Nil(0.89)	—	—(0.89)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.515. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. a Loss.

Epicure in complex reverse takeover

By Bryan Appleyard

A complex reverse takeover operation is announced by Epicure Holdings which will mean it acquires its own unquoted ultimate holding company, Slea Holdings.

Once part of the lowson empire Epicure subsequently became 84 per cent owned by Slea at an acquisition price of 5½p per share. This stake is now down to 57 per cent. Epicure is now acquiring Slea at a price of £875,000 by the issue of 12.5m new shares at 7p.

Slea is owned by Mr R. J. Brealey and Mr L. Brealey, the chairman and a director of Epicure, and they will not therefore be voting on the resolution on the scheme. The rest of the board, however, have said they will vote in favour.

If the acquisition is approved the board is also proposing a one-for-two scrip.

Grindlay Brandts, advisers to the Epicure board, have agreed to buy the Slea stake in Epicure. After the scrip issue 3.6m of these shares will be offered to existing shareholders at 5p per share and 441,000 to Slea employees at the same price.

Epicure made a pre-tax profit of £26,000 in the year to June 30 against a loss of £35,000 the year before. There is no dividend, but if the Slea scheme goes through a payout of 0.5 gross will be paid for the current year.

Epicure forecasts profits of not less than £25,000 for the current year and Slea is forecasting at least £225,000 for the nine months to June 30, 1978, making £250,000 for the enlarged group.

Dividends for the year to June 30, 1979 are expected to total 0.758p gross.

Premium withdrawal hits textile side at Sidlaw Industries

By Ashley Druker

Hopes of Sidlaw Industries, the textiles, packaging and engineering group, for another profit rise in the year to September 30 have been disappointed, with a virtually unchanged outcome. Turnover was lower than the previous year, at £37.96m against £39.9m, chiefly because of the textiles rationalization programme besides the disposal of certain assets. In the event, pre-tax profits were £1.19m compared with £1.18m, but lower tax and extraordinary items brought earnings a share up from 9.02p to 10.67p. It pays a total dividend lifted from 8.29p gross to 9.09p.

Generally the textiles division was hit by the abrupt withdrawal of the regional employment premium. This would have contributed about £200,000 to trading profit. Rationalization caused some disruption but partly to offset this there was an allocation of £144,000 from a Government revenue grant. In the second half the market for consumer durables was particularly depressed affected both the textiles hardware divisions. In event, textiles brought in ing profit some 16 per lower at £976,000, but hardw had another poor year.

On the brighter side, oil vices and engineering trading profit 14 per cent £900,000. There was no con bution from the sale of perty-related assets, compa with £200,000 in the preced year.

Overall, the group is seen in better shape at year-end t 12 months previously. In early months of the curr year, oil services and engin ing continued to make heads but markets for textiles hardware remain dull. B sectors, however, are poised take advantage of an upturn demand. Elsewhere, bank rowings, some £2m lower year-end, have been well c trolled and interest char have been lower.

Christopher Moran leaps

Results from Christopher Moran, the Lloyd's insurance broker and underwriter, show a rise in pre-tax profits of 49 per cent to £1.08m for the six months to July 31.

Turnover of the group leapt from £908,000 to £4.37m and it pays an interim dividend of 1.515p compared with 4.06p for the corresponding period. Latest figures include the industrial division for which no comparisons are available.

Meanwhile, the board states that negotiations are continuing for the sale of the two remaining industrial subsidiaries. This will enable the group's business to become purely insurance other related activities.

The insurance division performed very well in latest half with pre-tax pro 43.4 per cent above those the same period.

In the meantime satisfact progress continues, in the ba ground of the adverse effe caused by the fall in inter rates and the strengthening sterling against the dollar.

An extraordinary item £554,000, which consists larg of the write-off of good arising at the time of buyi results solely from the sale three of the group's industr companies.

One-for-four 'rights' from Alfred Preedy

A one-for-four rights issue to raise about £882,000 is to be made by Alfred Preedy and Sons. The issue will be of 1.57m ordinary shares at 56p each and will be underwritten by Industrial & Commercial Finance Corporation.

The board is forecasting a second interim, instead of a final, of 3.44p gross for the year to March 25 next on the increased capital. On the basis of total dividends of 4.31p gross, an ordinary shareholder taking up his rights would receive a gross dividend yield of 7.71 per cent on the new shares. A total of 2.16p gross was paid for 1976-77.

Preedy is in wholesaling and retailing of tobacco, confectionery and fancy goods and as retail booksellers, newsagents and stationers. The issue will finance a £1m expansion programme by internal growth and acquisition, including completion, opening or resiting 13 retail shops and stores in the current year.

Brokers to the issue: Harris, Allday, Lea and Brooks and Panmure Gordon.

Turner Mfg tops £3m despite lower return in final stage

By Desmond Quigley

Turner Manufacturing's strong profit performance in the first half of the year was trimmed back somewhat later in the year. The result was that the traditional profit split was reversed with second-hand profits coming out at less than the first six months. Nevertheless pre-tax profits increased by 48 per cent from a restated £2.29m to £3.4m in the year to October 1.

However, the company has forecast a "moderate reduction" in profits in the current year. Once the announcement was made, the shares were marked down heavily on the Stock Exchange, but they recovered during the day to close unchanged at 102p, to sell at 3.9 times earnings.

A final gross dividend of 3.58p a share is being recommended, making a total of 6.24p a share for the year compared with 5.5p gross the previous year.

In the second half Turner was affected by industrial disputes at truck and tractor manufacturing plants it supplies, as well as by the financial crisis in Turkey. Turkey has been the group's most important overseas market, but last year the British Government withdrew its export credit guarantee scheme covering the country and Turner's exports to the country have dropped sharply. The company has included a "substantial figure" in reserves to cover any bad debts from Turkey although there are hopes that the financial situation in Turkey may be stabilizing.

M Tussaud's predict 1978 peak profit of £2.1m

In the formal rejection by the board of Madame Tussaud's of the £11.6m offer from ATV, the Tussaud's directors predict record profits for 1978. They forecast profits, before tax and extraordinary items, of about £2.1m. If achieved, this will be an increase of more than 27 per cent over the board's estimate of 1977 profits and a rise of over 70 per cent on 1976. A total dividend of 4.83p gross is also predicted for this year—an increase of over 30 per cent on the total dividends intended to be paid for last year and, the board points out, over three times the 1976 total.

The board and its advisers, Brown, Shipley, strongly and unanimously advise shareholders to reject the bid. ATV's offer is 55p cash a share, or an alternative of a mixture of cash and non-voting "A" shares. Tussaud's shares rose by a penny to 63½p yesterday.

BIRD & CO (AFRICA)
Chairman reports that on July 1, the fourth and final instalment of compensation of 3.62m Tanzania shillings is due to be received. Plans are in hand to place company in voluntary liquidation as soon as possible after this.

SINGLO HOLDINGS
Empire Plantations has bought a further 100,000 ordinary shares, bringing total to 1.42m (22.7 per cent).

ALLIED INVESTMENTS
United Medical has bought 490,000 Allied Investments ordinary 5p shares at 53½p.

NAT MUTUAL LIFE
New business for 1977, sums assured totalled £2,258m (£2,248m). Annual premiums were £44.9m (£41.7m).

HAMBRO INCOME FUND
Allied Investors Trusts and Hambros Unit Trust Managers announce that the number of units of Allied Hambro Equity Income Trust to be issued to former Hambro Income Fund holders is 1.4194 Allied Hambro Equity Income Trust for each Hambro Income Fund unit previously held.

TECHNOLOGY TRUST
Technology Investment Trust's gross income for half-year to November 30 up from £434,000 to £493,000.

EXCALIBUR
Board of Excalibur Jewellery proposes scrip issue of one 11.5 per cent net cumulative preference share for every 40 ordinary shares held.

WILLIAMS EVANS
Offer by Booker McConnell for Williams Evans accepted for 98.7 per cent of ordinary and 97.5 per cent of preference shares. Offers remain open.

MANGANESE BRONZE
Valid elections to receive new ordinary shares in lieu of cash for the final dividend for the year to July 31 last received from 1,108, out of a total of 2,199, shareholders, holding 7.61 million, out of a total of 9.6 million shares.

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WEARWELL LIMITED

Interim Financial Statement

THE UNAUDITED GROUP TRADING RESULTS FOR THE 26 WEEKS TO 28th OCTOBER, 1977, are :

	26 weeks ended 28th October 1977 £000	26 weeks ended 29th October 1976 £000	52 weeks ended 29th April 1977 £000
Sales	2,156	2,149	4,008
Group Profit before Taxation	111	85	86
Taxation (Estimated)	58	44	(393)
Group Profit after Taxation	53	41	479
Interim Dividend	—	—	—
Retained Profits	53	41	479
Earnings per share before Taxation	0.91p	0.77p	0.78p
Earnings per share after Taxation based on Notional Tax at 52%	0.43p	0.37p	4.26p

'The first six months' trading of the current year has helped the Company to further strengthen its Cash Flow and Working Capital situation.

I am pleased to announce that the Company has a full order book both in Export and Home Trade. Currently turnover is running above last year's levels.

The Board has decided not to recommend an Interim Dividend and will reconsider the matter as soon as the results for the year are known."

ASIL NADIR, Chairman.

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[F]INANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Takeover talks on Pride & Clarke

A takeover bid could soon [b]e made for Pride & Clarke, [th]e London-based car dealers [a]nd importers. Shares in the [c]ompany were temporarily sus[p]ended at 11.55 yesterday at [th]e board's request. This was [fo]llowed by the news that talks [we]re on with an as yet unnamed [c]oncern which are expected to [l]ead to an offer for Pride.

Having risen by 12p on Thurs[d]ay, the shares rose by a [f]urther 15p *yesterday to 267p* —a new 1977-78 "high"—at [w]hich level they were sus[p]ended. In the year to Sep[t]ember 30, 1976, pre-tax profits [w]ere more than halved from [£]1.31m to £516,000, but a re[c]overy looks likely for 1976-77.

L & G recommends Ladbroke offer

Ladbroke's increased offer for [L]eisure & General Holdings has [n]ow won over the entire board [o]f L. & G. Following talks be[t]ween Mr Cyril Stein and Mr [J]ohn Chapple, the chairman of [L]adbroke and L. & G. respec[t]ively, the boards have reached [a]greement under which L. & G. [w]ill recommend the offer to [s]hareholders.

The directors of L. & G., ex[c]luding Mr C. Forbes who has [a]lready accepted the offer, and [I].C.F.C. intend to accept for [t]heir own shareholdings total[l]ing 11.8 per cent and 19.8 per [c]ent of the capital respectively. [T]he increased offer is 70p cash [a] share, with a share and loan [s]tock alternative. L. & G.'s [s]hares rose by a penny to 68½p [y]esterday.

Leslie Gold Mines get state aid

Leslie Gold Mines has been [g]ranted state assistance status [r]etroactive to last October. The [c]ompany said the possibility of [e]arly closure has now been postponed and the necessary [s]teps are being taken to prolong [t]he life of the mine.

Ore reserves at June 30, 1977, [a]t a gold price of $150 were [.]6m tonnes at an average [g]rade of 7.4 grams a tonne.—Reuter, Johannesburg.

Wearwell passes its *interim dividend*

Clothing maker and whole[s]aler Wearwell reports a full order book in both export and home trade on the current year, while turnover is running well above last year's levels. In the 26 weeks to October 28, the group reported a rise in pre-tax profits from £85,000 to £111,000. Turnover rose slightly from £2.14m *to £2.15m and* earnings [a] share are 43p compared with [3]7p. However the board has [d]ecided not to recommend an [i]nterim dividend but will recon[s]ider the matter when results [f]or the year are known.

Doubled earnings from Kaiser Aluminum

Kaiser Aluminum and Chemi[c]al Corporation has reported [1]977 net earnings of $122.1m [(]£58m) or $5.53 a common [s]hare, after a loss of $15.5m, [o]r 78 cents a share, related to [t]he translation of long-term [f]oreign currency exposures.

Sales for the year were [$]2,179.6m, surpassing the [$]2,000m mark for the first time [i]n the company's history.

In 1976, the corporation had [e]arnings of $44.5m or $2.14 a [s]hare after non-recurring losses [a]nd writedowns of $51.3m or [$]2.62 a share, and a long-term [f]oreign currency gain of $14.6m [o]r 75 cents a share. Sales in [1]976 were $1,851.9m.

[L]OANS TO YUGOSLAVIA

Export Credits Guarantee De[p]artment has guaranteed repay[m]ent and funding for two loans of [$]1.85m each which Royal Bank [o]f Scotland has made available to [B]rodospas, enterprise for ships [s]alvage and dismantling, of Yugo[s]lavia.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	6½%
Barclays Bank	6½%
Consolidated Crdts	7½%
First London Secs	6½%
C. Hoare & Co	*6½%
Lloyds Bank	6½%
London Mercantile	6½%
Midland Bank	6½%
Nat Westminster	6½%
Rossminster Acc's	6½%
Shenley Trust	9½%
TSB	6½%
Williams and Glyn's	6½%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 3%, up to £25,000 3¼%, over £25,000 4¼%.

Commodities

COPPER was steady. Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £661.50-62.00 a metric ton; three months, £675-75.50. Sales, 5,200 tons. Cash cathodes, £650-50.50; three months, £664-64.50. *Sales, 150 tons.* Morning.—Cash wire bars, £663-63.50; three months, £676-76.50. Settlement, £663.50. Sales, 6,300 tons. Cash cathodes, £652-52.50; three months, £665-65.50. Settlement, £652.50. Sales, 100 tons.

SILVER was steady. Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 255.2p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 491.5); three months, 258.8p (499.6c); six months, 263.3p (504c); one year, 272.7p (522c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 255.1-55.5p; three months, 258.9-59.0p. Sales, 4 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 254.8-55.2p; three months, 258.6-58.7p. Settlement, 255.2p. Sales, 17 lots.

TIN was barely steady.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £6,300-6,310 a metric ton; three months, £6,295-6,300. Sales, 205 tons. High grade, cash £6,300-6,310; three months, £6,310-20. Sales, 280 tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £6,315-20; three months, £6,305-10. Settlement, £6,320. Sales, 375 tons. High grade, cash, £6,315-20; three months, £6,320-30. Settlement, £6,330. Sales, 10 tons. Singapore tin, ex-works, SM1,711 a picul.

LEAD eased by £3.75 for cash and £4.50 for three months on reports that both sides were fairly close to an agreement on a new labour contract at a number of Asarco's facilities in the United States.—Afternoon.—Cash, £359-60 a metric ton; three months, £364.50-66.50. Sales, 4,250 tons. Morning.—Cash, £365-65.50; three months, £369.50-70.00. Settlement, £365.50. Sales, 33.50 tons.

ZINC was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £273.50-74.50 a metric ton; three months, £280-81. Sales, 1,150 tons. Morning.—Cash, £274.25-74.75; three months, £280.25-80.75. Settlement, £274.75. Sales, 3,100 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was at £100.35 ($194.50) a troy ounce.

RUBBER was uncertain (pence per kilo).—Feb, 49.15-49.25; March, 49.30-49.90; April-June, 50.75-50.80; July-Sept, 52.55-52.60; Oct-Dec, 54.05-54.10; Jan-March, 55.60-55.65; April-June, 57.15-57.25; July-Sept, 58.40-58.80; Oct-Dec, 60.05-60.15. Sales: 52 lots at 5 tonnes; 392 at 15 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were uncertain.—Spot, 48.75-50.00. Cifs, Feb, 49.25-49.60; March, 49.25-49.60.

COFFEE was slightly easier. Jan, £1,763-68 per metric ton; March, £1,796-98; May, £1,734-36; July, £1,685-87; Sept, £1,650-55; Nov, £1,620-30; Jan, £1,550-1,615. Sales, 2,051 lots including 83 options.

PALM OIL was quiet. January unquoted. Feb and March, £270-80 per metric ton; April, May, June, July, Aug and Sept, £260-70.

COCOA was steady. March, £1,737.50-39.00 per metric ton; May, £1,610-11; July, £1,568-70; Sept, £1,540-44; Dec, £1,505.10; March, £1,485-87; May, £1,467-70. Sales, 1,941 lots including 7 options. ICCO prices: daily, 140.05c; 15-day average, 139.86c; 22-day average, 142.62c (US cents per lb).

SUGAR futures were steady. The London daily price of "raws" was £2 higher at £112; the "whites" price was £1 higher at £114.—March, £119.40-19.50 per metric ton; May, £125.40-25.50; Aug, £128.40-28.45; Oct, £131.05-31.10; Dec, £135.50-35.75; March, £137.25-37.50; May, £140.35-40.70. Sales, 3,392 lots. ISA prices: 8.65c; 15-day average 8.31c.

SOYABEAN MEAL was steady.—Feb, £115.80-16.40 per metric ton; April, £113.30-13.40; June, £111.60-11.30; Aug, £112.10-12.50; Oct, £112-12.80; Dec, £109.80-10.00; Feb, £109-15. Sales 42 lots.

WOOL: Grease futures were steady (pence per kilo).—March, 236.40; May, 233-36; July, 234-37; Oct, 238-40; Dec, 238-42; March, 240.46; May, 243-47; July, 243-47. Sales: nil.

JUTE was steady.—Bangladesh white "C" grade, a float, $490 per long ton. "D" grade, a float, $475. Calcutta was steady.—Indian, spot, Rs 585 per bale of 400 lb. Dundee Tossa Four, spot, Rs 585.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—**WHEAT**.—Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ per cent, Jan, £84.80; Feb, £84.20; March, £84.25 Tilbury. United States dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent, Jan, £81.50; Feb, £82; March, £82.50 trans-shipment east coast.

MAIZE.—No 3 yellow American/French, Jan, £98; Feb, £100; March, £100 trans-shipment east coast.

BARLEY was unquoted. All per tonne cif United Kingdom unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta).—EEC origin.—**BARLEY** was firm: Jan, £70.95; March, £72.65; May, £74.90; Sept, £76.90; Nov, £79.40. Sales, 132 lots. **WHEAT** was steady.—Jan, £85; March, £84.65; May, £86.55; Sept, £82.40; Nov, £84.60. Sales, 291 lots.

Home-Grown Cereals Authority.—Location ex-farm spot prices:—

	Other milling WHEAT	Feed WHEAT	Feed BARLEY
Kent	£90.00	£73.10	£67.40
Lancs.	—	£76.60	£69.80

MEAT COMMISSION: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on Jan 13.—**GB**: Cattle 58.68p per kglw (−0.10). **UK**: Sheep 128.4p per kg est dcw (−1.5). **GB**: Pigs, 59.0p per kglw (+1.4). **ENGLAND AND WALES**: Cattle numbers down 5.0 per cent, average price 58.73p (−0.0). Sheep numbers down 25.8 per cent, average price 139.1p (−1.4). Pig numbers down 27.1 per cent, average price 59.0p (+1.4). **SCOTLAND**: Cattle numbers up 18.6 per cent, average price 58.41p (+0.55). Sheep numbers down 32.1 per cent, average price 132.7p (+3.7).

Foreign Exchange

The foreign exchange market ended the week yesterday on an unsettled and nervous note. Against the dollar the pound did quite well gaining one cent at $1.9325.

It was another session of very *wide fluctuations with* sterling trading within a range of $1.9125-1.9460 and with buying and selling quotations often a ½ to ¾ of a cent wide.

During the afternoon only limited Federal Bank support for the dollar was detected. There were considerable swings among other major currencies with the dollar usually closing with small gains.

Gold lost 50 cents an ounce to close in London at $172.625.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) January 13	Market rates (close) January 13
New York	$1.9100-9400	$1.9300-9350
Montreal	$2.0975-1275	$2.1180-1240
Amsterdam	4.35-40fl	4.38½-38½fl
Brussels	63.00-60f	63.30-50f
Copenhagen	11.08-16k	11.14-16k
Frankfurt	4.06-11m	4.09-11m
Lisbon	77.00-78.50e	77.80-78.30e
Madrid	154.75-156.00p	155.50-70p
Milan	1,680-1,725lr	1,713-23lr
Oslo	9.94-10.04k	9.97-99k
Paris	9.04-12f	9.07-09f
Stockholm	8.97-9.06k	9.01½-03½k
Tokyo	458-75y	465-70y
Vienna	29.15-45sch	29.30-35sch
Zurich	3.70-83f	3.80-82f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, was up 0.2 at 65.6.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.13-.23c disc	.35-.45c disc
Montreal	.05-.15c disc	.25-.35c disc
Amsterdam	¾c prem-¼c disc	2-1c prem
Brussels	10-20c disc	30-40c disc
Copenhagen	13½-14½ore disc	33½-35½ore disc
Frankfurt	1⅜-½pf prem	4½-3½pf prem
Lisbon	55-155c disc	300-600c disc
Madrid	90-160c disc	420-520c disc
Milan	16-22lr disc	45-52lr disc
Oslo	10½-12½ore disc	30½-32½ore disc
Paris	2½-3½c disc	13-14c disc
Stockholm	5-7ore disc	18½-20½ore disc
Vienna	7-17gro disc	24-44gro disc
Zurich	2¾-1¾c prem	5¾-4¾c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $0.9104-07.

Eurodollar deposits (%) calls, 6¼-7¼; seven days, 7-7¼; one month, 7¾-8; *three months*, 7⅞-7⅞; six months, 7⅞-7⅞.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $172.40 (an ounce); pm, $172.45.

Krugerrand (per coin): non-resident, $178-180 (£92¼-93¼); resident, $178-180 (£92½-93½).

Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $52½-54½ (£27¼-28¼); resident, $52½-54½ (£27¼-28¼).

Discount market

A late Treasury swing yester*day reduced the day's credit short*age to modest proportions relative to conditions experienced recently in Lombard Street.

The shortage yesterday was finally alleviated by moderate assistance from the Bank of England which purchased a small amount of Treasury bills and a small number of local authority bills (in total moderate) directly from the houses, and also lent a small sum to one or two houses *at 6½ per cent MLR until Mon*day. The help was possibly slightly overdone.

Rates continued to stick at 6½ per cent for much of the day, but conditions eased somewhat towards the close and final balances were to be found between 5½ and 6 per cent.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 6½%
(Last changed 6/1/78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 6½%
Discount Mkt. Loans %
Weekend High 6½ Low 6¼
Week Fixed: 6½-6¾

Treasury Bills (Dis%)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	5⅞	2 months	5⅞
3 months	5⅞	3 months	5¾

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) Trades (Dis%)

2 months	6¼-6⅛	3 months	6¾
3 months	6-5⅞	4 months	6¾
4 months	6-5⅞	6 months	6¾
6 months	6-5⅞		

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	6½-6	7 months	6½-6
2 months	6½-6	8 months	6½-6
3 months	6½-6	9 months	6¾-6¼
4 months	6½-6	10 months	6¾-6¼
5 months	6½-6	11 months	6¾-6¼
6 months	6½-6	12 months	7¼-6¾

Secondary Mkt. £CD Rates (%)

1 month	6½-6¼	6 months	6½-6¼
3 months	6¼-6⅛	12 months	6⅞-6¾

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	6¾	3 months	6¾
7 days	6½-6¼	6 months	6½-6¼
1 month	6½	1 year	6¾

Interbank Market (%)

Weekend: Open 6½-6¾ Close 5

1 week	6¼-6⅛	6 months	6½-6¼
1 month	6¼-6⅛	9 months	6¾-6½
3 months	6¼-6⅛	12 months	6⅞-6¾

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate%)

3 months 6¾ — 6 months 7

Finance House Base Rate 6½%

Treasury Bill Tender

Applications	£1,104m	allotted	£300m
Bids at	£98.54½	received	15%
Last week	£98.53	received	63%
Average rate	5.8188%	Last week	5.8826%
Next week	£400m	replace	£300m

Wall Street

New York, Jan 13.—The New York Stock Exchange closed mixed. The Dow Jones industrial average closed off 2.42 points to 775.73. It was ahead about three points at its high for the day in early trading.

Some 750 issues gained with about 600 lower. Volume was 18,010,000 shares.

The market generally followed the course of the dollar on foreign exchanges, pulling back as the dollar drifted lower in Europe and when the Fed and central banks did not take any further action.

Analysts said the market's failure to hold its early gain also reflected concern that Fed action in pushing certain interest rates higher to protect the dollar would hurt the American economy.

They also cited as a negative influence the report late yesterday of a surge in the United States money supply which threatens to bring on further Fed credit tightening.

Silver soars 10 cents

New York, Jan 13.—COMEX SILVER futures today soared 10.00 cents net on renewed buying prompted by uncertainty over the direction of the American dollar. The strength in gold futures encouraged the rise in silver, a floor broker said. Jan, 498.70c; Feb, 500.20c; March, 503.60c; May, 510.30c; July, 517.10c; Sept, 523.90c; Dec, 534.30c; Jan, 537.80c; March, 544.70c; May, 551.70c; July, 558.70c; Sept, 565.70c. *Handy and Harman of Canada*, Can $5.584 (previous Can $5.402).

GOLD.—On the Comex prices were up $2.90 to $3.50. Prices on the IMM were up $3 to $3.70. NY COMEX. Jan, $174.90; Feb, $175.50; March, $176.70; April, $178.00; June, $180.50; Aug, $183.00; Oct, $185.50; Dec, $188.10; Feb, $190.80; April, $193.50; June, $196.20; Aug, $199.10; Oct, $201.90. CHICAGO IMM. March, $177.20-176.90; June, $181.30-180.80; Sept, $184.90-185.00; Dec, $188.50-188.90 bid; March, $192.90 bid; June, $196.90 bid; Sept, $200.90 bid.

COPPER.—Futures closed steady between 20 and 30 points up. Jan 59.40c; Feb 59.60c; March 60.00c; May 61.00c; July 61.90c; Sept 62.90c; Dec 64.20c; Jan 64.70c; March 65.60c; May 66.50c; July 67.40c; Sept 68.30c.

SUGAR.—Futures in No 11 contract were: March 9.34-35c; May 9.77-78c; July 9.96-07c; Sept 10.14c; Oct 10.28-29c; Jan 10.58c nominal; March 10.80-08c; May 10.95-106c.

COTTON. Futures were: March, 55.35-40c; May, 56.50-65c; July, 57.55c; Oct, 58.60c; Dec, 59.30c; March, 59.80-90c; May, 60.20-60c.

COFFEE. Futures in "C" contract closed 0.50 cent higher to 0.75 cent lower. March, 198.00-10c; May, 184.00-40c; July, 174.00c; Sept, 170.00-10c; Dec, 165.50c; March, 150.00c; May, 135.00-50c.

COCOA. Futures closed 1.50 to 1.00 cents lower. March, 144.10c; May, 132.00c; July, 127.10c; Sept, 124.25c; Dec, 120.75c; Dec, 120.75c; March, 118.25c; May 116.25c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS.—Meal registered losses of $1.60 to $0.30 a ton and Oil was down 0.09 to 0.22 cent a lb. SOYABEANS.—Jan, 593-93½c; March, 601-02c; May, 608½-09c; July, 613½-14c; Aug, 612-13c; Sept, 591½c; Nov, 586½c; Jan, 594c. SOYABEAN OIL.—Jan, 21.21c; March, 21.39-40c; May, 21.45-50c; July, 21.50-55c; Aug, 21.60-45c; Sept, 21.00c; Dec, 20.30c; Jan, 20.20-25c. SOYABEAN MEAL.—Jan, $161.90-1.80; March, $161.80-1.60; May, $164.50-4.00c; July, $166.70; Aug, $167.00-7.20; Sept, $164.50-4.70; Oct, $162.00-2.50; Dec, $163.50-4.00.

CHICAGO GRAINS.—WHEAT.—March, 276½-77c; May, 283½-¼c; July, 288½-¼c; Sept, 294c; Dec, 305c; March, 310½-11c. CORN.—March, 224-23½c; May, 228c; July, 230c; Sept, 230c; Dec, 231½c; March, 238½c. OATS.—March, 132-32½c; May, 135½c; July, 136½c; Sept, 138c bid; Dec, 141c.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, 1.9310 (1.9315); three months, 1.9350 (1.9359); Canadian dollar, 90.97 (91.05).

The Dow Jones spot commodity index was 350.70. The futures index was 359.63.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 775.73 (778.15); transportation, 208.17 (207.59); utilities, 106.63 (106.46); 65 stocks, 271.26 (271.44). New York Stock Exchange index, 49.57 (49.60); industrials, 53.01 (53.08); transportation, 39.30 (38.78); utilities, 39.17 (39.07); financial, 50.36 (50.54).

e Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited.

Recent Issues

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a £10 paid. b £20 paid. c £15 paid. d £30 paid. e £25 paid. f Fully paid. g £5 paid. h £55 paid. i £45 paid. j £60 paid.

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Last Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E
44	27	Airsprung Ord	39	—	4.2	10.8	7.3
150	106	Airsprung 18½% CULS	140	—	18.4	13.2	—
39	25	Armitage & Rhodes	36	—	3.3	9.2	15.3
145	105	Bardon Hill	142	−2	12.0	8.5	9.8
102	51	Deborah Ord	101	—	5.1	5.2	8.0
216	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	211	—	17.5	8.0	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	140	—	11.5	8.0	6.9
58	36	Jackson Group	46	—	5.0	10.9	5.4
114	55	James Burrough	112	+3	6.0	5.4	10.3
340	188	Robert Jenkins	320	+2	27.0	8.4	5.4
24	9	Twinlock Ord	16	—	—	—	—
77	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	75	—	12.0	16.0	—
74	51	Unilock Holdings	74	—	7.0	9.5	9.2
87	67	Walter Alexander	84	—	6.4	7.6	6.2

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Authorized Unit Trusts

Insurance Bonds and Funds

Offshore and International Funds

See also "The London & Manchester Group."

e Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous days price. s Ex all. z Dealings suspended. e Sub-divided. £ Cash value for £100 premium. g Ex bonus. h Estimated yield. k Yield before Jersey tax. p Periodic premium. s Single premium. Dealing or valuation days—(1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (8) Jan 16. (9) Jan 17. (10) Jan 31. (14) Feb 3. (15) Jan 18. (18) Jan 24. (18) Feb 7. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Thursday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of each month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly.

Stock Exchange Prices

Quiet end to account

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Begin, Monday. Dealings End, Jan 27. § Contango Day, Jan 30. Settlement Day, Feb 7

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

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BRITISH FUNDS

1977/78 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
101¹¹⁄₁₆	93⅝	Treas 9% 1978	100½	..	8.956	5.898
104¼	97⅝	Treas 10½% 1978	102⅝	..	10.231	5.068
100¼	90⅞	Exch 5½% 1976-78	99½	+¹⁄₁₆	8.029	5.722
107	95⅛	Treas 11½% 1979	105	+¹⁄₁₆	10.932	6.689
97⅝	84¹⁵⁄₁₆	Treas 3% 1979	95¾	..	3.137	5.780
98¾	86¼	Elec 4¼% 1974-79	96¾	..	4.399	6.382
108⁹⁄₁₆	92½	Treas 10½% 1979	104½	..	10.048	7.745
97⅜	84¾	Elec 3½% 1976-79	95½	..	3.649	5.910
106¼	87⅝	Treas Cnv 9% 1980	102⅝	+¹⁄₁₆	8.780	7.712
105¾	88¾	Treas 9½% 1980	102¹³⁄₁₆	+¹⁄₁₆	9.251	8.212
94	83½	Treas 3½% 1977-80	94⅜	..	3.694	5.870
98¾	83¾	Fund 5½% 1978-80	95⅞	..	5.479	7.144
112¾	96¼	Exch 13% 1980	109⅝	+⅛	11.865	9.108
108¾	93⅞	Treas 11½% 1981	108⅞	+⅛	10.863	9.209
94⅛	77¹³⁄₁₆	Treas 3½% 1979-81	91⅛	+⅛	3.820	6.549
104	88⅞	Treas 9¾% 1981	101¼	+⅛	9.629	9.284
97¾	86¾	Exch 8¼% 1981	96¾	..	8.514	9.342
110¾	95⅞	Exch 9¾% 1981	109¾	+⅛	9.429	9.284
92¼	87¼	Exch 3% 1981	87¾	+⅛	3.417	8.894
113⅝	98¾	Exch 12½% 1981	110¾	+⅛	11.538	9.424
100¾	83½	Treas 8¼% 1980-82	98¾	+⅛	8.626	8.878
93¾	72½	Treas 3% 1982	85⅞	+⅛	3.493	7.045
119¾	101¼	Treas 14% 1982	114¾	+⅛	12.109	9.620
98¾	83⅜	Treas 8¾% 1982	95⅞	+⅛	8.598	9.393
103¼	93½	Exch 9¼% 1982	99¾	+⅛	9.320	9.445
87⅜	81¼	Exch 3% 1983	83¾	+⅛	3.586	6.877
114¾	96¾	Treas 12% 1983	114¼	+½	10.859	9.480
101⅝	86¾	Treas 9½% 1983	98¾	+⅛	9.376	9.581
95	72½	Fund 5½% 1982-84	88¾	+⅛	6.218	7.956
90¾	77⅞	Treas 8¼% 1984-86	93¾	+⅛	8.904	9.291
87⅞	67	Fund 6½% 1985-87	86⅛	+⅛	7.635	8.888
92⅞	68½	Treas 7¾% 1985-88	88¾	+⅛	8.751	9.546
73¾	49¾	Trans 3% 1978-88	67¾	+⅛	4.454	7.576
73¾	54¾	Treas 5% 1986-89	74¾	+⅛	6.852	8.722
120⅞	90¾	Treas 13% 1990	113¾	+⅛	11.422	10.907
93⅜	67⅞	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	88⅞	+⅛	9.400	9.992
111	90¾	Treas 11¾% 1991	105¾	+⅛	11.199	11.030
75¼	54	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	74¼	+⅛	7.918	9.418
117	96¾	Treas 12¾% 1992	110¾	+⅛	11.478	11.074
96⅞	80¼	Treas 10% 1992	95	+⅛	10.716	10.942
113	89¾	Exch 12¼% 1992	111¾	+⅛	11.446	11.260
115½	84¾	Treas 12½% 1993	109¾	+⅛	11.437	11.231
72⅞	51¾	Fund 6% 1993	71¾	+⅛	8.637	8.869
126	96	Treas 13¾% 1993	118¾	+⅛	11.774	11.624
128¾	99	Treas 14½% 1994	127¾	+1⅛	11.864	11.477
114¾	94¾	Exch 12½% 1994	112¾	+⅛	11.530	11.371
95¼	69¾	Treas 9% 1994	88¾	+⅛	10.303	10.623
110¾	97¼	Treas 12% 1995	105¾	+⅛	11.354	11.250
51¾	32¾	Gas 3% 1990-95	51¾	+⅛	5.913	8.483
110¾	87¾	Treas 12¾% 1995	112¾	+⅛	11.531	11.350
91¾	67	Treas 9% 1992-96	88¾	+⅛	10.425	10.728
133¾	101¼	Treas 15¼% 1996	130¾	+⅛	12.008	11.651
122½	98¾	Exch 13¼% 1996	116¾	+⅛	11.632	11.421
50	32	Rdmptn 3% 1986-96	49¾	+⅛	6.171	8.535
121	87¾	Treas 13¼% 1997	113¾	+⅛	11.622	11.428
98¾	90¾	Exch 10½% 1997	97	+⅛	11.029	11.112
89¾	65¾	Treas 8¾% 1997	87¾	+⅛	10.438	10.741
72¾	51	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	71¾	+⅛	9.683	10.352
139½	103¾	Treas 15½% 1998	134	+⅛	11.979	11.691
96¾	66¾	Treas 9½% 1999	89¾	+⅛	10.616	10.781
43¾	27¾	Fund 3½% 1999-04	42	+⅛	8.337	9.559
81¾	57¾	Treas 8% 2002-06	78¾	+⅛	10.329	10.492
58½	40¾	Treas 5½% 2008-12	57¾	+⅛	9.947	10.214
80	53¾	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	75¾	+⅛	10.270	10.334
38¾	26¾	Consols 4%	36¾	+⅛	10.872	..
36¾	25¾	War Ln 3½%	36¾	+⅛	9.675	..
39¾	26¾	Conv 3½%	38¾	+⅛	9.281	..
29¾	20¾	Treas 3%	28¾	+⅛	11.002	..
24¾	17¾	Consols 2½%	23¾	+⅛	10.630	..
24	17¾	Treas 2½% Aft 75	23¾	+⅛	10.985	..

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. Yield	Red. Yield
101½	91¾	Aust 5½% 76-78	101	..	5.516	7.007
98¾	79½	Aust 5½% 77-80	94¾	..	5.843	8.879
88½	69¾	Aust 5½% 81-82	88¼	..	6.339	9.412
87¾	65¾	Aust 6% 81-83	85¾	..	7.092	9.503
95	77¾	Aust 7% 79-81	94¾	..	7.586	9.605
90	90	Chilean Mixed	90	..	..	..
75½	61¾	E Africa 5½% 77-83	73	..	7.919	12.973
340	197	German 4½% 1930	340	..	..	..
42	32½	Hungary 4½% 1924	40	..	..	..
90¾	69¾	Ireland 7½% 81-83	87¾	..	..	..
98½	84¾	Jamaica 7½% 77-79	95½	..	8.103	11.121
291	225	Japan Ass 4% 1910	265	..	..	..
78½	63	Japan 6% 83-88	78½	..	..	..
73	66	Kenya 5% 78-82	73	..	6.852	12.737
86	69	Malaya 7½% 78-82	84	+¼	8.868	11.490
96½	81½	N Z 6% 76-80	96½	+¼	6.363	9.055
79	53¾	N Z 7% 88-92	74	+¼	9.517	10.907
91	69¾	N Z 7½% 83-86	87½	+¼	8.623	9.830
91	74	S Rhd 6% 78-81	89	..	6.732	10.346
91	74	Nyasa 6% 78-81	89	..	6.732	10.348
135	143	Peru 6% Ass	155	..	..	..
94	82	S Africa 9½% 79-81	94	..	..	..
70	48	S Rhd 2½% 65-70	70	+4	..	..
65	20	S Rhd 4½% 87-92	65	+3	..	..
90	44	S Rhd 6% 78-81	90	−3	..	..
55	45	Spanish 4%	45	..	..	..
80½	67	Tang 5½% 78-82	80½	..	7.327	12.650
98	60	Uruguay 3½%	90	..	..	..

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. Yield	Red. Yield
27	20¼	L C C 3% 1920	25¾	..	11.951	..
94½	64¾	L C C 5% 80-83	94	+¼	6.037	9.258
93	72	L C C 5½% 77-81	93	+¼	5.916	7.678
85¾	62	L C C 5½% 82-84	83¾	+¼	6.560	9.628
76½	53¾	L C C 5½% 85-87	74¾	+¼	7.447	10.681
96¾	81¾	L C C 6% 76-79	96¾	+¼	6.199	8.170
78	52¾	L C C 6¾% 88-90	77	+¼	8.766	10.018
73¾	53	G L C 6¾% 90-92	75	+¼	9.335	10.324
104½	82	G L C 9½% 80-82	98¾	+¼	9.672	9.967
107¾	93¾	G L C 12½% 1982	106¾	+¼	11.695	10.526
111½	91	G L C 12½% 1983	108½	+¼	11.629	10.054
100	95¾	C of L 6¾% 75-78	100	..	6.504	6.983
85¾	70½	C of L 6¾% 80-82	87¾	+¼	7.456	10.104
92½	68¾	Ag Mt 7½% 81-84	92	..	[illegible]	9.962
77	53¾	Ag Mt 7½% 91-93	77	..	10.383	11.235
79	52¾	Ag Mt 6½% 85-90	74½	..	9.283	10.996
91¾	73¾	Belfast 6½% 77-80	91½	..	7.103	10.025
94¾	84½	Brighton 6½% 76-79	99¼	+¼	6.615	7.939
98¼	85	Camden 6½% 77-79	98½	+¼	6.598	7.873
91¾	72½	Croydon 6½% 78-81	89¾	+¼	7.518	10.011
98¾	83½	Edin 6½% 77-79	98¾	+¼	6.582	7.676
101	80	Glasgow 9½% 80-82	97	..	9.537	10.034
100	89	Gwich 6½% 76-78	100	..	6.747	6.731
110¾	96¾	Liverpl 13½% 1981	110	+¼	12.285	10.880
32½	22¾	Met Water B 34-03	32½	..	9.547	11.222
91	76½	N I 6½% 79-80	89	..	7.300	12.984
95¼	80	N I 7½% 82-84	93¾	..	8.452	10.841
96¾	65	N I Elec 6½% 81-83	85¾	..	7.814	10.916
100	89½	Notts 6½% 76-78	100	..	6.747	6.736
97	84	Sthend 5½% 77-79	97	..	5.417	8.282
85	60¾	Swark 6½% 83-86	83½	..	8.188	9.784
94½	77¾	Surrey 6½% 78-80	94½	..	6.348	8.820

Investment Dollar Premium 67¾% (67⅛%). Premium Conversion Factor 0.8831.

FOREIGN STOCKS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
54½	40½	Bayer	£41	+½	197	4.8	18.3
15¾	11¾	Commerzbank	£13½	+¼	44.3	3.3	15.4
22⅝	17½	Cp Fn Paris	£19	..	191	10.1	6.0
52	43	EBES	£45½	..	291	6.2	..
23	14	Ericsson	£17¾	+¼	69.2	3.9	20.1
23	6	Finsider	£6½	..	..	..	..
14	4½	Granges	£6½	−½	..	..	..
560	385	Hoechst	385	..	19.7	5.1	13.3
34	8	Montecatini E	8	..	..	..	..
650	470	Robeco fl.5	472	−1	29.7	6.3	27.0
481	325	Rolinco Subs fl 5	325	−6	..	..	41.9
100	30	Sola Viscosa	30	..	..	..	..
905	710	Thyssen-Huette	720	..	..	..	12.9
74¾	42	Volkswagen	£66	+1¼	..	..	..

DOLLAR STOCKS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
10¹¹⁄₁₆	8½	Brascan	£9¾	..	57.4g	7.0	3.7
12	6⅝	BP Canada	£9¾	+¼	..	..	..
15¾	9½	Can Pac Ord	£9¾	..	47.0	4.9	7.3
16¾	9½	El Paso	£10	..	41.7	4.2	18.8
43¾	27¾	Exxon Corp	£28¼	+¼	..	..	..
33	20¾	Fluor	£21½	+¼	63.7	3.0	9.5
29¼	16¾	Hollinger	£17¾	−¾	..	..	..
33¾	24¾	Hud Bay Oil	£25¾	+¼	28.9	1.1	47.5
24¾	14¾	Husky Oil	£14½	+¾	..	..	..
28¾	10¾	INCO	£10¾	..	56.3	5.5	6.7
17¾	6½	IU Int	£7¼	+¼	52.4	7.4	8.8
33¾	18½	Kaiser Alum	£18¾	−¼	81.4	4.4	..
18¾	8½	Massey-Ferg	£8¾	+¼	58.1	6.6	2.5
17½	11½	Norton Simon	£12½	+¼	43.7	3.6	9.7
27¾	20	Pacific Petrol	£22¾	−¾	..	..	..
24½	17¾	Pan Canadian	£18½	−¼	..	..	..
200	130	Steep Rock	130	−10	..	..	..
12¾	8½	Trans Can P	£8½	..	..	..	..
42	18¾	US Steel	£19½	−½	..	..	..
725	725	White Pass	725	..	15.9	2.2	21.0
12¾	7½	Zapata Corp	£12¾	+¼	15.7	1.3	6.1

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
305	185	Alexs Discount	275	+5	22.0	8.0	52.2
395	350	Allen H & Ross	310	..	46.5	9.1	9.1
168	98½	Allied Irish	162	..	10.0b	6.2	5.7
195	108	Arb-Latham	165	..	14.3	8.7	11.3
337	232	ANZ Grp	237	+5	11.6b	4.9	8.0
22¾	13½	Bank America	£13¾	+¼	49.3	3.6	10.5
343	202½	Bk of Ireland	335	..	20.1b	5.7	6.2
27	18	Bk Leumi Israel	19	..	1.1	5.9	4.2
200	170	Bk Leumi UK	170	..	11.2	6.6	14.9
500	370	Bk of NSW	390	+5	18.6	4.8	9.4
315	223	Bk of Scotland	315	..	16.5	5.2	8.2
34¾	21¾	Bnks Trst NY	£22¾	+¾	175	7.8	5.1
348	227	Barclays Bank	341	..	16.4	4.8	8.5
206	115	Brown Shipley	205	..	14.0	6.8	7.6
358	225	Cater Ryder	308	..	26.6	8.6	..
29¾	17½	Chase Man	£18	+¼	128	7.1	6.6
29¾	13¾	Citicorp	£13¾	+¼	81.7	4.4	7.4
93	51¾	Clive Discount	80	..	7.2	9.0	9.1
230	170	Com Bk of Aust	175	r +5	10.3	5.9	8.2
170	115	Com Bk of Syd	120	−3	8.3	6.8	..
17¾	12¾	CC De France	£14	−¾	131	9.3	9.9
3½	¾	First Nat Fin	2¾	−¼	..	..	..
12½	7	Fraser Ans	11½	..	..	..	..
210	130	Gerrard & Nat	188	..	12.4	6.6	8.3
53	37	Gibbs A.	45	..	3.0	6.6	16.9
277	161¾	Gillett Bros	247	..	23.4	9.5	11.0
136	85	Grindlays Hldgs	116	−2	4.6	3.8	6.3
230	180	Guinness Peat	210	..	15.1	7.2	10.4
25	12	Hambros Ltd	£18	..	144	8.0	..
297	142	Do Ord	220	..	14.4	6.9	6.1
116	74	Hill Samuel	95	−1	6.7	7.1	9.7
349½	223	Hong K & Shang	223	−1	7.7b	3.4	19.2
88	54½	Jessel Toynbee	80	..	6.2	7.7	..
185	115	Joseph L.	180	..	12.0	6.7	8.9
51	21	Keyser Ullmann	46	..	0.5	1.1	..
80	42	King & Shaxson	68	..	5.1	7.6	6.6
134	76	Kleinwort Ben	112	..	5.9	5.2	9.3
298	185	Lloyds Bank	291	..	13.2	4.5	5.9
177	92	Mercury Secs	133	..	5.1	3.9	6.6
398	245	Midland	391	..	20.6	5.3	6.7
85	39	Minster Assets	61	..	5.3b	8.8	8.9
240	168	Nat of Aust	172	+2	8.7	5.1	7.1
80	58	Nat Com Bk Grp	79	..	4.0	5.1	5.8
298	205	Nat W'minster	291	..	16.5	5.7	6.8
40	29	Ottoman	£39	..	250	6.4	11.0
88	45	Rea Bros	60	..	2.4	4.0	12.9
27¾	14¾	Royal of Can	£14¾	−¼	70.3	4.3	10.3
490	290	Schroders	440	..	15.7	3.6	15.5
290	189½	Seccombe Mar	250	..	18.7	7.5	7.1
100	58	Smith St Aubyn	81	−1	7.3	9.0	..
430	293	Standard Chart	420	..	27.6	6.6	6.0
515	285	Union Discount	448	+10	32.4	7.2	18.0
74	37	Wintrust	65	..	4.8	7.0	25.9

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
96	58	Allied	87	+1	6.0n	6.9	11.2
166	87	Bass Charrgton	152	+1	7.3	4.8	10.2
42	26	Belhaven Grp	40	..	..	..	..
234	79¾	Bell A.	230	..	7.4	3.2	9.2
142	82	Boddingtons	140	..	5.9	4.2	14.8
112	64	Brown M.	108	..	5.9	5.5	12.6
177	96	Bulmer H. P.	135	−1	4.9	3.6	7.9
180	73	Burtonwood	138	..	4.3	3.0	11.3
66	40	C'yl Ldn Dfd	59	..	3.6	6.2	22.2
135	100	Devenish	155	+2	6.9	5.8	8.2
191½	113	Distillers	169	+1	9.9	5.9	20.7
505	290	Glenlivet Dist	505	..	6.4	1.3	12.6
106	59	Greenall	103	..	4.0	3.8	10.6
240	152	Greene King	230	−3	10.9	5.0	12.3
198	124	Guinness	196	+2	10.6	5.7	8.5
143	95	Hardys & H'sons	143	..	10.6	7.4	9.6
153	53	Highland	133	−2	4.4	2.9	22.5
100	35	Invergordon	95	..	3.2	3.3	11.5
132	42	Irish Distillers	128	..	5.4	4.2	20.0
34	31	Marston	33	..	2.6	4.9	16.7
70½	46	Scot & Newcastle	62½	+1½	4.9	7.5	14.4
19¾	13¼	Seagram	£13¾	−¼	45.7	3.5	9.7
66	40	SA Breweries	60	..	6.3	10.8	4.2
107	42	Tomatin	104	..	4.1	4.0	30.5
415	229	Vaux	400	..	24.1	6.1	10.4
96½	58½	Whitbread 'A'	91	+1	5.6	6.1	10.3
96	60	Do B	95	−3	5.6	6.0	10.8
94	37	Whitbread Inv	90	..	5.7	6.6	22.7
200	114	Wolverhampton	197	+2	8.7	4.4	11.6

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

A — B

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
122	77	AAH	122	+1	8.3	6.8	9.0
142	56	AB Electronic	112	..	7.6	6.8	7.7
38	25	AC Cars	38	..	1.5	3.8	9.5
84	32	AGB Research	84	..	3.5	4.1	13.9
239½	131	APV Hldgs	222	..	8.1	3.7	8.8
73	43	Aaronson Bros	62	−1	2.8	4.5	7.0
115	62	Acrow	115	..	3.6	3.1	13.1
98	52	Do A	91	−1	3.6	4.0	10.4
41	11	Adda Int	35	..	0.8	2.2	..
281	150	Adwest Group	272	−2	15.2	5.6	7.5
63	34	Aeron't & Gen	57	−1	3.5	6.1	10.2
62	42	Airfix Ind	51	..	4.6	9.0	6.7
131	79	Albright & W	101	..	6.5	6.4	8.6
96	69	Alcan 10½%	£88½	..	1050	11.7	..
122	71	Do 9% Cnv	£115	−1	900	7.8	..
300	205	Alginate Ind	283	..	19.7	6.9	10.5
77	44	Allen E. Balfour	59	+1	6.6	11.1	..
56¾	25¾	Allen W. G.	54	..	3.9	7.2	6.0
100¾	44¾	Allied Colloids	82	−2	2.3	2.6	14.5
66	43	Allied Insulators	61	+1	5.3	8.7	7.4
13¾	7½	Allied Plant	13¾	..	1.1	7.9	8.1
50	19	Allied Polymer	50	h ..	3.4	6.7	34.5
186	79½	Allied Retailers	185	−1	12.1	6.6	8.9
46	19	Alpine Hldgs	44	..	2.5	5.6	26.3
282	210	Amal Metal	277	−3	21.5	7.7	5.4
138	57¾	Amal Power	127	..	8.0	6.3	7.1
40½	21	Amber Day	39½	..	2.9	7.4	5.7
18	8	Amber Ind Hldgs	16	..	0.5n	4.7	2.4
86	41	Anchor Chem	70	..	6.0	8.5	7.8
57½	34	Anderson Strath	50½	+½	3.8	7.6	6.9
90	48½	Anglia TV 'A'	89	..	6.0	6.7	7.7
540	390	Anglo Amer Ind	430	..	42.9	10.0	4.0
42	22	Ang Swiss Hldgs	33	..	..e	..	..
85	49	Appleyard	85	+3	6.7	7.9	7.4
39½	18½	Aquascutum 'A'	39½	+½	2.1	5.3	8.9
120	68½	Arlington Mtr	120	r ..	11.7	9.8	9.1
75	38	Armitage Shanks	73	..	6.5	8.8	10.6
73	39	Armst Equip	60	−1	3.1	5.1	10.3
53	44	Asprey 9% Pf	50	..	6.0	12.0	..
94	55¾	Ass Biscuit	86	..	4.8	5.6	8.3
173	85	Ass Book	170	−2	6.1	3.6	7.5
76½	48	Ass Brit Food	63	..	3.3	5.3	6.4
142	82	Ass Engineer	121½	+½	7.1	5.9	6.3
68	36	Ass Fisheries	59	c +1	5.4	9.2	11.8
82	28½	Ass Leisure	53½	..	4.3	7.9	10.0
196	121	Ass News	165	..	8.1	4.9	9.4
52	20	Ass Paper	50½	..	4.5	8.9	..
294	153	Ass Port Cement	263	−4	13.1	5.0	8.7
118	68½	Ass Tel 'A'	111	..	9.9	8.9	7.7
25	23	Ass Tooling	26	..	3.5	13.3	20.2
49	23	Astbury & Mdley	39	+1	1.7	4.2	6.1
51	27	Atkins Bros	49	..	5.6	11.6	7.5
43	27	Audiotronic	35	..	..e	..	8.7
37	22	Ault & Wiborg	33	..	2.9	8.6	7.0
98	56	Aurora Hldgs	98	..	7.9	8.0	4.7
70	30	Austin E.	70	..	5.5	7.8	6.0
113½	51	Automotive Pd	102	..	2.8	2.8	8.2
34	14½	Avana Grp	31	−½	1.6	6.0	7.7
174	113	Averys	153	+1	8.3	5.4	9.2
197	74	Avon Rubber	188	−4	14.1	7.5	2.8
307	235	B A.T. Ind	275	−5	20.0	7.3	5.9
280	203	Do Dfd	228	−2	..	..	..
88	39	BBA Grp	62	..	3.4	5.5	9.1
136	87	BICC	110	..	10.0	9.1	13.1
82	61	BOC Int	77	..	4.8	6.2	5.3
278	111	BPB Ind	244	..	11.0	4.5	7.5
50	26	BPM Hldgs 'A'	47	..	4.3	9.2	6.3
41¾	17½	BSG Int	41	+½	3.2	7.8	6.8
151	87	BSR Ltd	97	−1	7.1	8.2	3.9
292	149½	BTR Ltd	241	−3	13.8	5.7	8.4
144	70	Babcock & W	114	..	8.0	7.0	5.9
34	21	Baggeridge Brk	32	..	3.5	11.1	9.8
9¾	3	Bailey C.H. Ord	9¾	c +½	0.3	3.3	73.0
169	93	Baird W.	158	..	14.1	8.9	6.0
112	63	Baker Perkins	96	..	6.3	6.5	5.7
53	28½	Bambergers	47	..	4.5	9.6	5.3
15	3½	Barker & Dbson	14	+½	..e	..	..
208	144	Barlow Rand	179	..	16.5	9.2	3.7
74	39	Barr & Wallace	71	−2	5.1	7.2	6.8
72	37	Do A	70	−2	5.1	7.3	6.8
128	58½	Barratt Devs	122	−2	12.2b	10.0	5.7
54	36	Barrow Hepbn	46	−1	5.6	12.1	5.2
53	40	Barton & Sons	47	..	5.0	10.5	4.4
153	69	Bassett G.	146	..	7.8	5.3	9.0
99	29	Bath & P'land	76	..	5.0	6.6	4.2
67	34	Beales J.	58	..	4.0	6.8	4.3
193	66	Beatson Clark	172	..	7.6	4.4	6.9
48	25½	Beauford Grp	47	..	4.6	9.6	8.2
73½	46	Beckman A.	71	..	6.8	9.5	7.9
690	372	Beecham Grp	653	−2	28.0	4.3	13.6
83	34	Bejam Grp	67	+½	2.2	3.3	6.3
85	54	Bemrose Corp	70	−1	5.8	8.3	6.7
70	19½	Benn Bros	62	..	3.3	5.3	10.0
227	148½	Berisf'd S & W	218	−2	12.5	5.7	3.7
57	31	Berisfords	56	..	3.4	6.1	5.9
80	36	Best & May	48	..	4.1	8.4	8.6
166	122	Bestobell	160	−2	14.3	8.9	8.3
68	35	Bett Bros	67	−1	1.7	2.6	7.3
214	102	Bibby J.	214	−2	10.1	4.7	6.9
74	54	Birmid Qualcst	64	..	6.2	9.7	7.7
77	50	Birm'gham Mint	61	..	6.6	10.8	6.5
230	148	Bishops Stores	180	..	3.7	2.1	10.1
205	57	Do A NV	145	..	3.7	2.6	8.2
123	68	Black & Edg'tn	119	..	6.4	5.5	15.6
40	15	Blackman & C	18½	..	..	..	33.0
93	49	Blackwd Hodge	82	..	4.4	5.4	7.3
27½	15	Blackwood Mt	26½	+1½	..	..	15.2
245	122	Blagden & N	245	..	18.2	7.4	9.3
72	39	Blundell Perm	65½	..	4.4	6.7	8.9
13	7½	Boardman K. O.	12½	−½	1.5	11.8	3.3
70	33	Bodycote	70	..	3.4	4.9	6.6
26	17	Bonser Eng	22	..	2.0	9.2	12.2
240	123	Booker McCon	233	+5	10.7	4.6	10.6
186	84	B'sey & Hwkes	186	..	7.3	3.9	7.7
186	57	Boot H.	136	..	12.5	9.3	6.1
242	115	Boots	222	−1	4.3	1.9	17.0
97	71	Borthwick T.	71	..	9.4	13.2	9.8
29½	14	Boulton W.	20½	..	2.1	10.1	6.6
215	140	Bowater Corp	178	..	14.7	8.3	6.4
66	34	Bowthrpe Hldgs	58	..	2.3	4.0	7.1
88	62	Braby Leslie	86	+1	8.0	9.2	4.9
76	60	Brady Ind	73	..	8.6	11.8	13.9
73	57	Do A	71	..	8.6	12.1	13.8
40	23½	Braham Millar	39	..	2.3	5.8	5.3
40½	17	Braid Grp	40½	+½	2.0	4.8	6.5
179	67½	Braithwaite	148	+5	6.1	4.1	4.2
114	44½	Brammer H.	112	..	6.4	5.7	10.4
53	38	Bremner	50	..	5.8	11.6	10.1
206	80	Brent Chem Int	196	..	3.7	1.9	16.2
38	25	Brent Walker	37	..	1.7a	4.6	16.8
36	22	Brickhouse Dud	36	..	3.3	9.2	7.1
172	105	Bridon	113	−2	9.6	8.5	6.1
41¾	27½	Bright J. Grp	39	..	3.7	9.4	7.0
43½	20	Brit Car Auctn	41½	..	3.0	7.2	10.2
17	11	Brit Enkalon	13	..	..	..	..
246	137	Brit Home Strs	212	..	8.9	4.2	17.9
38	20	Brit Leyland	20	..	..	..	1.5
120½	80	Brit Northrop	103	..	..	..	3.7
49½	31	Brit Printing	46	..	4.8	10.5	7.4
90	50	Brit Sim Spec	68	..	7.2	8.2	10.2
490	273	Brit Sugar	480	..	29.2n	6.1	5.3
70½	30½	Brit Syphon Ind	56	−2	4.6	7.8	7.9
60	28½	Brit Tar Prod	56	−½	2.1	3.6	10.2
90	44	Brit Vita	86	+2	3.1	3.5	6.2
27½	13½	Brittains	26	..	2.1	8.2	21.1
61	41	Brockhouse Ltd	59½	+1½	5.5	9.2	5.7
86	41	Brocks Grp	71	−1	5.1	7.2	12.5
715	385	Broken Hill	408	+5	19.3	4.8	40.0
40	30	Bronx Eng	38	..	2.4	6.3	5.9
71	35	Brook St Bur	69	..	6.4	9.2	17.9
56	38	Brooke Bond	46½	−1	4.2	9.0	3.8
16	11	Brooke Tool	18	..	..	..	10.8
113	49	Brotherhood P.	114	−2	8.8b	7.7	4.0
96	74	Brown & Tawse	95	−1	6.5	7.1	6.1
56	19	BBK	51	..	2.7	5.3	12.1
24	12	Brown Bros Cp	24	..	1.6	6.7	13.8
261	98	Brown J.	232	..	12.1	5.2	5.6
124	85	Bruntons	108	..	10.6	9.8	7.0
40	17	Bryant Hldgs	39	..	3.4	8.8	8.2
132	66	Bullough Ltd	120	..	8.6	7.2	5.4
48	28	Bulmer & Lumb	43	−1	4.8	11.0	5.4
120	87	Bunzl Pulp	105	−2	7.4	7.0	4.2
64	35	Buron Dean	58	..	5.6	9.7	5.7
38	22	Burgess Prod	38	..	3.5	9.3	5.9
184	64	Burnett H'shire	169	..	4.1	2.4	8.0
184	63	Do A NV	165	..	4.1	2.5	8.0
39	16	Burns And'son	38½	..	2.2	5.7	5.6
17¾	9	Burrell & Co	14½	..	1.4	9.3	7.6
185	130	Burt Boulton	185	..	15.4	8.3	5.3
136	51	Burton Grp	126	−2	2.3	1.8	..
118	39	Do A	118	−3	2.2	1.9	..
73	43	Bury & Masco	73	..	6.4	8.8	10.8
69	30	Butterfld-Harvy	66	..	3.4n	5.1	9.0

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
33	13½	CH Industrials	30	+½	2.1	7.1	5.1
58½	39½	Cadbury Sch	54	−½	4.1	7.6	10.6
107	70	Caffyns	105	..	8.7	8.3	9.5
55	48	C'bread Robey	52	..	2.3	4.4	14.5
132	30	Campari	132	..	2.8	2.1	6.9
121	44	Do R	121	+2	..	..	..
82	43½	Camrex Hldgs	72	..	6.0	8.3	6.0
62	36	Canning W.	59	..	5.3	9.1	9.7
136	67	Cape Ind	114	+1	11.5	10.1	3.8
75	37	Caplan Profile	75	+1	7.3	9.7	4.9
90	33½	Capper Neill	69	−1	3.2	4.6	8.0
95	33	Caravans Int	90	−2½	7.0	7.8	3.4
68	35	Carclo Eng	66	..	4.5	6.9	6.1
51	32	Carless Capel	37	−1	1.3	3.3	9.5
169	68	Carlton Ind	169	..	8.3	4.9	7.6
76	49	Carpets Int	53	..	6.1	11.4	5.8
91	33	Carr J. (Don)	88	−1	2.6	3.1	6.3
40½	22½	Carr'ton Vir	39	−1	3.0	7.7	10.6
110	63¾	Carroll P. J.	110	..	9.2	8.3	4.8
45	26	Casket S Hldgs	45	..	3.0	6.6	5.4
25	7	Causton Sir J.	20½	..	..	..	5.1
185	88	Cawoods	177	..	8.3	3.9	10.1
39½	12	Celestion	35	..	0.9	2.6	10.0
127	54½	Cement Rdstone	123	..	6.9	5.6	15.5
54	35	Cen & Sheer	45	..	3.4	7.0	8.6
89	42	Central Man	69	+1	4.0	5.9	3.7
231	103	Centreway Ltd	231	..	16.5	7.1	6.5
42	24	Ch'mbn & Hill	37	..	3.9	10.4	2.9
59½	27½	Chamberl'n Grp	55	..	4.2	7.6	7.8
33	8½	Change Wares	21	..	..	..	..
21	17	Do Cnv Cum	20½	−½	2.4	11.8	..
129	91	Chloride Grp	107	−1	7.3	6.8	5.8
73	57	Christies Int	73	..	4.5	6.2	7.6
128	93	Chubb & Sons	134	+1	5.5	4.1	9.9
108	57	Church & Co	126	..	4.7	2.4	9.6
78	43	Coalite & Chem	73	−1	4.2	5.8	6.1
79	50	Coates Bros	73	..	3.3	4.5	7.3
77	45	Do A	72	..	3.2	4.4	8.3
83	57	Coats Patons	69½	−½	4.7	6.7	5.5
130	45	Cole R. H	116	−6	5.3	4.6	8.7
62	33	Collett D'son	57	−1	4.7	8.2	6.2
186	95	Collins W.	143	−2	7.0	4.9	6.9
186	89	Do A	143	−2	7.0	4.9	6.9
38	14	Comben Grp	35	−1	2.4b	7.0	8.6
101	50	Comb Eng Strs	90	..	4.6	5.2	9.8
170	45	Comet Radiov'n	168	+1	5.3	3.1	10.2
114	64	CompAir	97	..	5.5	5.7	7.3
30	20	Compton Webb	25	−1	2.5	10.3	4.2
29	16	Cook W.	25	..	2.4	9.4	5.3
80	37	Cope Allman	58	+1	4.8	8.2	5.9
17	9	Copson F.	16	..	1.2	7.1	8.1
37	19½	Corah	37	+½	1.7n	4.6	8.0
144	57	Coral Leisure	125	−2	9.1	7.3	11.3
43	34	Cosalt	73	−1	4.7	6.4	6.5
332	134	Costain R.	304	−2	15.2b	5.0	9.4
35	8	Countryside	35	+2	0.3	0.7	..
107	73	Courts (Furn)	106	+2	4.9	4.6	7.2
107	73	Do A NV	106	+2	4.9	4.6	7.2
135	90	Courtaulds	120	+2	10.7	8.9	6.0
72	30	Courtney Pope	69	..	3.4	4.8	9.0
74	30½	C'wan de Groot	74	..	3.5	4.7	4.5
43	33	Cowie T.	43	..	2.4	5.7	8.8
100	24	Crane Fruehauf	99	k ..	3.6n	3.7	10.7
44	15	Crellon Hldgs	39	..	..e	..	..
76	28	Crest Nicholson	72	−1	4.6	6.4	14.5
73	44	Croda Int	57½	..	3.2	5.6	8.8
43	23	Cronite Grp	39	..	3.7	9.5	19.5
38	23	Cropper J.	37	..	1.3	3.4	..
140	94	Crosby Hse	139	..	14.2	10.3	..
29	18	Crossland R.	28½	+1	1.9	6.8	9.1
70	45	Crossley Bldg	70	..	6.3	8.9	11.2
88	43	Crouch D.	96	..	5.5	5.8	12.6
73	25	Crouch Grp	73	+1	4.1	5.7	12.9
53	32½	Crown House	49	..	4.7	9.7	9.8
45	28	Crowther J.	37	..	0.9	2.5	..
147	92	Cum'ns En Cv	£92	..	375	4.1	..
160	63½	Dale Electric	152	−2	4.1	2.7	15.2
17	8	Dartmouth Inv	17	..	1.2	7.2	10.6
128	70½	Davies & New	118	−2	11.1	9.4	6.6
298	150	Davy Int	242	−2	15.2	6.3	8.1
86	48	Dawson J.	86	..	8.1	9.4	11.2
520	350	De Beers Ind	410	..	44.6	10.9	8.2
36	21	Deanson Hldgs	25	..	3.2	12.7	7.6
118	64¾	Debenhams	108	+1	8.0	7.4	7.4
638	256¾	De La Rue	544	−8	30.0	5.5	8.1
590	233	Decca	500	..	16.1	3.2	14.3
555	223	Do A	475	..	16.1	3.4	13.6
81	49	Delta Metal	68	−½	6.8	10.0	9.4
100	66	Denbyware	83	..	8.3	10.0	..
178	82	De Vere Hotels	170	..	6.7	3.9	31.7
165	67	Dew G.	165	k ..	7.7	4.7	8.9
62	27	Dewhurst I. J.	58	..	2.6	4.6	10.0
143	89	DRG	125	−1	9.9n	7.9	9.1
178	57	Diploma Inv	162	..	5.8	3.5	9.5
60	29	Dixon D	58	+1	3.8	6.5	25.8
178	63	Dixons Photo	160	−8	3.3	2.1	7.8
38	20	Dixor	35	..	0.9	2.6	43.2
79	37	Dobson Park	76	..	3.2	4.3	5.9
86	41	Dom Hldgs	63	..	6.6	10.2	11.6
105	42¾	Douglas R. M.	102	−1	4.7	4.6	7.1
24	17	Dow'd & Mills	22	..	1.6	7.4	10.1
250	105	Downing G. H.	220	..	15.7	7.1	4.7
174	93	Dowty Grp	169	+1	6.4	3.8	10.6
36	17½	Drake & Scull	36	+1½	..	..	..
50	28	Dreamland Elec	40	−1	3.5	8.8	12.6
18½	9	Dubilier	17	..	1.5	8.8	10.1
47	34	Dufay	38	+1	2.3b	6.0	8.6
123	73¾	Dunlop Hldgs	85	−2	8.0	9.4	5.1
14	5½	Duple Int	12½	..	0.9	7.2	8.2
87½	57½	Duport	64	−1	6.4	10.1	4.5
134	41	Durapipe Int	126	+1	5.7	4.5	7.3
50	26	Dutton For	46	..	4.3	9.3	7.3
37	21	Dykes J. Hldgs	25	..	..e	..	10.2
253	173	E.M.I.	181	+1	14.0	7.7	6.8
155	34	ERF Hldgs	150	−2	5.5	3.7	4.6
47	35	E Lancs Paper	44	..	4.8	10.9	..
76	46	E Mid A Press	76	..	5.5	7.2	5.7
90	22	Eastern Prod	86	−1	6.6	7.7	6.7
106	56	Eastwood J. B.	108	..	6.0	5.7	2.9
154	105	Edbro	134	..	8.9	6.6	5.5
43	19	Eleco Hldgs	43	+½	2.6	6.1	11.7
48	32	Elec & Ind Secs	42	..	4.1	9.7	7.7
380	89	Electrocomps	343	−2	7.5	2.2	15.9
24½	15	Electronic Mach	24	..	..	..	..
121	48	Electr'nic Rent	121	..	7.6	6.3	8.7
119	55½	Elliott B.	99	..	7.9	9.0	5.5
44	14	Elliott Grp	22	..	..e	..	6.9
97	66	Ellis & Everard	97	+3	7.7	7.9	17.9
19½	14½	Ellis & Gold	19½	..	2.7	14.8	10.5
77	37	Elson & Robbins	76	+2	4.7	6.2	5.9
33	9	Elswick Hopper	23	..	1.4	5.9	9.6
202	82½	Empire Stores	178	..	7.3	4.1	15.3
14¾	4½	Energy Serv	13½	..	0.3b	2.4	15.8
38	23	England J. E.	35	..	2.0	5.7	3.0
24	3½	English & O'seas	22½	..	0.5	2.4	21.0
108	50	English Card Cl	83	..	4.2	5.0	4.6
109	69¾	Eng China Clay	77	−3	5.4	7.0	9.0
74	51	Erith & Co	74	..	7.4	10.0	7.6
220	130	Esperanza	146	−2	9.0	5.5	5.4
78	42	Eucalyptus Pulp	67	..	7.6b	11.3	2.2
112½	51	Euro Ferries	109	−1½	4.2	3.9	8.7
107	52	Eva Industries	102	−2	7.3	7.1	7.2
211	121	Ever Ready	172	..	6.1	3.5	8.5
95	42	Evode Hldgs	81	..	3.2	3.9	9.5
27	19½	Ewer G.	26½	..	2.0n	7.6	10.2
20	7½	Excalibur	19	+½	0.7	3.8	7.5
105	65	Exch Telegraph	101	+1	7.7n	7.6	8.7
77¾	57	Expand Metal	62	..	5.8	9.0	6.9

F — H

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
215	52	FMC	76	+2	3.9	5.1	3.8
21	7	FPA Cons	20	−1	1.7	8.5	8.9
62	25¾	Fairbairn L'sn	55	−1	3.5	6.4	8.5
78	37¾	Fairclough Cons	66	−1	3.6	5.4	8.7
105	29	Fairview Est	103	..	8.6	8.3	6.2
240	81	Farnell Elect	218	−2	9.9	4.5	11.9
80	44	Fed Chem Hldgs	73	k +1	5.3	7.2	7.9
40	13	Fed Lnd & Build	38	..	3.1	8.2	11.1
36	23	Feedex Ltd	31	..	2.0	6.4	7.9
142	111	Fenner J. H.	136	..	10.2	7.5	9.3
106	45	Ferguson Ind	97	..	9.1	9.4	10.1
48	19½	Fine Art Dev	45½	..	2.8	6.1	10.9
319	150	Finlay J.	306	..	9.9	3.2	5.7
20	8	Finlay Pack	20	..	0.9	4.3	7.5
55	31	Firth G. M.	39	..	..e	..	31.1
400	283	Fisons	375	..	18.5	4.9	11.0
73	45	Fitch Lovell	59	−1	5.6	9.4	7.4
82	43¾	Fluidrive Eng	82	..	5.0	6.1	6.8
48	20	Fodens	57	..	3.8	6.7	3.9
143	60	Fogarty E.	142	+1	4.8	3.4	7.4
29½	15½	Folkes Hefo NV	21	..	2.1	10.0	4.9
34	20	Ford M.	34	..	3.7	10.8	14.2
259	130	Ford Mtr BDR	130	..	9.3	7.2	13.7
132	49¾	Forminster	129	..	6.0	4.7	6.1
535	410	Fortnum & Mason	535	..	31.5	5.9	9.5
212	136	Foseco Min	147	−1	6.5	4.4	8.7
85	39	Foster Bros	85	+1	4.3	5.1	11.0
33	18	Foster J	28	..	2.5	8.9	9.9
94	69	Fothergill & H	86	..	9.4	10.9	9.8
48	28	Francis G. R.	45	..	5.4	11.9	8.2
70	28	Francis Ind	62	..	5.1	8.0	5.3
318	127	Freemans Ldn	288	..	8.5	2.9	13.7
65	40	French T	68	..	3.9	5.7	4.3
35½	14	French Kier	32	..	2.3b	7.1	13.1
96	53	Friedland Doggt	92	..	4.4	4.8	7.2
83	48	GEI Int	83	+1	5.9	7.1	6.6
65	32½	Gallifd Brindley	64	..	4.6	7.2	6.9
104	67	Garnar Scotblair	103	..	6.8	6.6	4.8
282	163	GEC	267	−3	5.8	2.2	11.0
104½	96½	Do F Rate	£100¾	..	869	..	..
27	13¾	Gen Eng (Rad)	18	..	1.5	8.1	5.1
330	185	Gen Mtr BDR	185	..	31.0g	5.9	6.3
190	124	Gestetner 'A'	159	−1	5.7	3.6	7.4
69	32½	Gibbons Dudley	69	..	3.5	5.1	3.3
96	35	Gieves Grp	95	..	6.8	7.1	9.1
240	161¾	Gill & Duffus	217	−1	13.2	6.1	7.3
58	23	Glltspur Ltd	54	−1	4.1	7.6	5.5
70	36	Glass & Metal	66	..	4.2	6.4	7.1
25	13	Glass Glover	24	..	1.7	7.2	9.6
667	400	Glaxo Hldgs	593	−5	15.5	2.6	11.9
54	19	Gleeson M. J.	42	−1	2.8	6.6	6.5
57	34	Glossop & W.J.	52	..	5.5	10.5	5.6
120	76	Glynwed	106	..	11.4b	10.8	9.0
70	39	Goldbg & Sons	64	..	5.7	8.9	12.7
87	41	Gomme Hldgs	79	..	4.6	5.9	10.4
95	60	Gordon & Gotch	92	..	4.0	4.4	8.8
33	11	Gordon L. Grp	22	..	..	..	..
61	47	Grampian Hldgs	55	..	6.0	10.8	7.9
99	42½	Granada 'A'	94	..	3.0	3.1	10.3
108	63½	Grand Met Ltd	107	+1	6.5	6.0	12.2
348	183	Gt Univ Stores	306	..	11.8	3.8	14.2
316	175	Do A	284	+2	11.8	3.9	13.3
41½	17¾	Greenfield Mill	40	..	2.7	6.7	11.7
93	65	Greens Econ	83	..	6.4	7.7	6.4
55	28	Gripperrods	45	..	3.6	7.9	6.0
308	260	GKN	268	..	23.6	8.8	7.5
108	71	Haden Carrier	85	..	12.0	12.6	5.9
102	55	Haggas J.	102	..	1.0	1.0	7.9
95	62½	Hall Eng	89	..	6.4	7.2	6.0
207	99½	Hall M.	197	+1	10.0n	5.1	7.9
57	14	Halma Ltd	56	−1	2.1	3.8	9.2
96	68	Hammex Corp	80	..	4.1	5.1	4.5
161	100	Hanson Trust	148	..	9.5	6.4	7.3
51	26	Hardy Furn	35	..	0.3	0.9	..
43	23	Do A	33	..	0.3	0.9	..
89	38	Hargreaves Grp	58	−1	4.6	7.9	9.5
53	34½	Harris Sheldon	47	..	4.3	9.1	8.0
97	45	Harrison T.C.	95	..	5.8	6.1	9.0
438	278½	Harrison Cros	350	..	18.1	5.2	8.3
85	41	Hartwells Grp	84	..	6.7	7.9	7.2
214	113	Hawker Sidd	196	−2	5.9	3.0	7.8
71	43	Hawkins & T'son	70	+1	6.1	8.6	4.5
79	24	Hawthorn L.	72	..	..	..	..
159	57	Hays Wharf	155	+1	7.5	4.9	16.0
34	12½	Headlam Sims	34	..	1.9	5.6	7.0
13½	8½	Helene of Ldn	13½	..	0.9	5.1	5.2
31	20	Helical Bar	31	−2	3.1	9.9	18.5
87	39	Hend'son Kent	86	..	3.4	3.9	5.1
144	79	Henly's	112	−2	9.3n	8.2	6.0
100	39½	Hepworth Cer	87	..	5.0	5.7	10.1
64	29¾	Hepworth J.	61	..	3.5	5.7	9.4
11½	6½	Herman Smith	11	..	0.4	3.5	45.8
143	76	Hestair	113	−4	9.1	8.1	4.0
60	17½	Hewden-Stuart	50	..	1.9	3.9	9.3
22	11	Hewitt J.	22	..	1.4	6.5	4.3
88	63	Hickng P'cost	88	..	9.5	11.2	10.1
610	255	Hickson Welch	545	−20	13.7	2.9	4.8
97	36	Higgs & Hill	85	−2	5.0	5.9	4.3
44	24¾	Hill & Smith	44	..	3.1	8.5	4.7
150	76	Hill C. Bristol	92	..	9.9	10.7	..
300	71	Hillards	230	−2	6.5	3.1	6.6
92	69	Hoffnung S.	71	..	6.4	9.0	5.2
64	35	Hollas Grp	60	−2	6.4	10.7	5.5
74	34	Hollis Bros	74	..	6.7	9.3	6.5
148	70	Holt Lloyd	145	..	8.5	5.8	14.4
122	80	Home Charm	122	+1	5.2	4.2	12.7
410	195	Hoover	387	..	20.5	5.3	8.4
412	195	Do A	387	..	20.5	5.3	8.4
105	55	Hopkinsons	80	+1	7.1	8.9	4.3
98	26	Horizon Mid.	88	−1	4.5	5.1	6.0
157	71	Hse of Fraser	136	+1	6.7	4.9	13.6
70	28	Hoveringham	70	..	2.9	4.1	14.1
63	21½	Do RV	62	..	2.9	4.7	12.5
22	11¾	Howard & Wynd	20	..	..	..	13.9
22	10½	Do A	20	..	..	..	11.4
52	30	Howard Mach	34	..	3.4	10.1	6.8
31	17	Howard Tenens	27	..	2.6	9.6	..
71	39	Howden Grp	63	−2	5.6	8.9	17.5
13¾	6¾	Hudsons Bay	£9¾	..	34.7	3.7	9.5
30	16	Hunt Moscrop	30	−½	1.1	3.5	9.8
230	76	Hunting Assoc	215	..	4.5	2.1	9.6
132	63	Huntleigh Grp	116	..	3.4	2.9	9.2
65	47	Hutchison W	45	−1	..	..	..

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
258	130	ICL	256	+6	11.3	4.4	4.7
137	75	IDC Grp	110	..	12.7	11.5	9.3
163	71	Ibstock Johns'n	145	..	8.8	6.1	7.8
445	322½	Imp Chem Ind	340	−2	23.9	7.0	6.3
120	75	Imp Cold Store	93	..	7.8	9.3	3.6
69½	65	Imperial Grp	77½	−½	7.8	10.1	8.5
69	46	Imp Metal Ind	59	−1	5.0	8.5	7.0
21	17	Ingall Ind	22½	−½	2.6	11.9	5.7
35	27	Ingram H	35	..	4.5	13.3	7.6
79½	46	Initial Services	72	..	6.6	9.2	12.1
102	37½	Int Combustion	101	h ..	12.1	12.0	7.9
70	41½	Int Paint	62	..	3.6	5.8	5.9
135	70	Int Timber	111	..	9.9	7.6	6.1
85	47	Invereak Grp	79	..	7.4	9.5	13.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Hob BDR	£6¾	−½	8.6	1.4	..
69	27	JB Hldgs	49	..	1.6	2.6	5.6
24	12	Jacks W.	24	..	1.0	4.2	..
56	37	Jacksons B'End	56	..	..e	..	..
21	7½	James M. Ind	19½	..	0.3	7.2	..
159	140	Jardine M'son	149	..	6.5	4.4	..
157	96	Jarvis J.	157	+6	13.1	6.7	4.4
28½	16	Jessups Hldgs	33	..	2.4	7.1	4.3
60	40¾	Johnson & F B	61	−1	7.1	11.6	1.5
75	27	Johnson Grp	77	−1	5.9	7.7	5.1
492	307	Johnson Matt	470	+4	20.2	4.3	7.6
333	114	Johnson-Rchd	326	−2	10.8	3.2	9.3
99	47½	Jones Stroud	89	..	6.3	7.1	7.7
44	21	Jourdan T.	40	..	4.0	8.9	6.2
60	27	K Shoes	58½	..	3.4	5.9	5.2
135	36	Kelsey Ind	114	−1	4.9	4.3	4.6
84	49½	Kenning Mtr	81½	+1	6.3	7.7	6.1
44	21	Kent M P	39	−1	3.1	8.0	10.5
46	13	Kitchen Taylor	46	..	..	..	..
105	52¾	Kode Int	89	..	7.2	8.1	7.8
53	16	Kwik-Fit Hldgs	53	+3	1.2	2.2	23.1
274½	131½	Kwik Save Disc	205	+2	7.9	3.8	15.6
96	62	LCP Hldgs	93	..	7.3	7.8	8.0
48	29½	LRC Int	39	r +1½	4.4	11.4	6.7
110	80	LWT Hldgs 'A'	109	−1	9.4	8.6	6.6
214	89	Ladbroke	199	−2	10.8	5.4	13.5
45	30½	Ladies Pride	45	..	3.3	7.3	5.6
103	27	Lafarge	93	h ..	3.0	3.3	10.3
171	70	Laing J.	152	..	5.0	3.3	12.3
170	69	Do A	152	..	5.0	3.3	12.3
97	44	Laird Grp Ltd	80	..	4.5	5.6	5.4
65	43	Lake & Elliot	58	..	5.3	9.1	13.1
41	31	Lambert H'wth	40	..	4.4	10.9	5.6
75	25	Lane P. Grp	63	−1	4.8	7.6	6.1
52½	27½	Lankro	52½	h ..	2.0	3.8	16.5
131	83¾	Laporte Ind	97	−1	10.3	10.6	5.4
135	84	Latham J.	125	..	10.5	8.4	5.7
136	45	Laurence Scott	114	−1	7.6	6.6	8.7
106	53	Lawrence W.	99	..	9.9	9.9	7.4
64	24	Lawtex	64	..	4.4	6.8	4.2
177	128	Lead Industries	152	..	11.2	7.3	6.0
62	36	Le-Bas E.	43	..	2.5	5.8	..
25	15¾	Lee A.	23½	−½	2.2	9.4	9.2
135	29¾	Lee Cooper	112	−3	2.5	2.2	4.5
140	32½	Leigh Int	167	+6	5.3	3.3	23.7
69½	16¾	Leisure & Gen	69½	h +1	2.0	2.9	26.0
115	60¾	Leisure C'van	114	..	6.7	5.9	13.1
45	29	Lennons Grp	35	..	2.3	6.7	21.5
283	113	Lep Grp	245	..	5.2	2.1	7.3
82	37	Lesney Ord	60	..	4.1	6.9	4.4
120	70	Letraset	105	..	4.6	4.2	7.3
82	36½	Lex Services	77	..	5.3	6.9	10.3
20	7¾	Liberty Ord	£20	..	49.5	2.4	9.1
86	33	Lilley F J C.	79	..	3.8	4.8	9.2
60	30	Lincroft Kilg	57	..	5.3	9.2	5.6
151	58	Lindustries	147	..	13.6	9.3	6.5
197½	200	Linfood Hldgs	[illegible]	..	12.6	9.4	6.5
39	19	Linread	29	−1	2.9	8.9	..
42	22	Lister & Co	34	−1½	0.2	0.4	..
79	64	Lloyd F. H.	64	..	7.5	11.1	6.0
16½	8	Locker T.	14¾	..	1.3	8.5	6.6
14½	8¾	Do A	14	−¼	1.2	8.9	6.3
116	58	Lockwoods Fds	116	..	5.5	4.6	6.3
81	44	Ldn & M'land	79	−1	7.2b	9.1	7.0
43½	24	Ldn & N'thern	24	..	3.0b	10.5	13.5
85	39	Ldn Brick Co	72	−2	4.6	6.4	2.0
171	94	Ldn Prov Post	171	..	13.6	8.0	7.9
73	31	Longton Trans	65	..	5.2	8.2	5.7
87	60	Lonrho	74	−1	5.9b	12.2	2.6
80	29	Lonsdale Univ	80	..	6.4	8.2	20.2
52	26	Lookers	52	..	3.8	7.3	4.5
86	44	Lovell Hldgs	83	..	5.4	6.4	5.7
175	120	Low & Bonar	170	..	15.5b	9.0	6.2
337	204	Lucas Ind	271	−7	22.5	4.6	6.7
29	15	Lyndale Eng	26	h ..	2.0	10.0	8.4
98	25	Lyon & Lyon	85	−1	9.1	10.7	9.2
129	47	Lyons J. Ord	106	+1	11.5	10.9	8.2

M — N

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
125	33	MFI W'house	122	−1	6.0	4.8	15.8
214	87	MK Electric	179	..	5.5	4.9	7.5
94	49	ML Hldgs	90	..	5.9	6.5	7.7
64	37	MY Dart	64	−2	2.5	5.1	2.0
253	138	McCorquodale	253	−7	21.6	5.5	8.5
48	15	McInerney Prop	44	−1	..	..	29.4
19	11	McCleery L'Amie	11	..	..	..	..
44	26	Mackay H.	44	..	4.9	11.2	24.1
94	60¾	McKechnie Bros	99	..	7.5	8.4	5.0
46	21	McNeill Grp	45	+½	..	..	..
69½	37	Macpherson D.	56	−1	3.9	6.7	5.9
65	17	Madame Tussds	63½	h +1	2.7n	5.9	16.7
55½	29	Mallinson Denny	48	+½	4.2	8.7	5.7
77	50	Man Agcy Music	73	..	6.5	11.5	4.9
36	11	Manch Garages	34	..	2.3	6.7	7.0
217	177	Man Ship Canal	210	−7	21.6	10.2	6.2
90	14	Mang Bronze	[illegible]	−2	2.9	3.2	3.9
42	27	Manordale Grp	42	−2	6.2	14.6	4.0
15	5½	Maple Hldgs	14½	..	..e	..	..
292	114	Marchwiel	272	..	5.2	1.9	6.2
170	95	Marks & Spencer	155	−1	6.4	4.1	15.6
99	46	Marley Ltd	89	−2	3.8	4.2	7.4
24	9¾	Marling Ind	19	..	1.5	8.1	5.6
58½	31	Marshall Cav	56	−1	6.6	10.7	9.8
46	27	Marshall T Lox	39	..	3.5	9.1	5.0
44	26	Do A	35	..	3.5	10.1	4.5
155½	95	Marshalls Univ	140	..	9.5	6.8	4.7
97	55	Martin-Black	57	..	6.7	11.9	5.7
244	99½	Martin-News	234	..	10.2	4.2	5.5
160	91	Martonair	158	..	8.1	5.1	9.7
85	48	May & Hassell	76	−2	4.4	5.7	5.1
124	60	Maynards	124	..	7.3	5.9	7.1
21	20	Mears Bros	28	..	2.9	10.2	5.4
21	10½	Medminster	21	..	2.7	13.0	12.0
73	56	Melody Mills	70	..	4.5	6.5	4.8
54	30½	Melville D & W	46	−2	3.7	8.1	4.7
73½	9	Mentmore Mfg	12½	−½	1.2	10.2	18.5
302	102	Menzies J.	300	..	7.1	2.4	16.2
312	246	Metal Box	310	..	21.5	6.9	7.0
53	65	Metal Closures	64	..	6.0	7.2	5.1
41	13¾	Metalrax	40	..	1.6	4.0	5.1
68	29	Mettoy	44	..	3.2	7.3	6.3
93	44	Meyer M. L.	73	..	6.9	9.3	2.7
43	29½	Midland Ind	42	−2	1.5	3.6	6.2
95	28	Milbury	85	..	3.9	4.6	7.5
97	50	Mills A. J.	97	h ..	4.2	4.3	11.1
122	35	Mills & Allen	115	−5	..	..	21.5
169½	96	Miln Marsters	161	..	7.8	4.9	6.4
33	25	Mining Supplies	60	−½	2.7	2.4	9.5
49	36½	Mitchell Cotts	42	..	5.2	12.3	5.6
68	29½	Mitchell Somers	63	..	2.4	3.8	6.4
66	43	Mixconcrete	60	..	4.5	7.6	8.9
40	22¾	Modern Eng	39	..	4.0	10.2	8.8
132	97	Molins	109	−1	9.9	9.0	..
86	23¾	Monk A.	82	..	5.4	6.6	5.6
59½	33	M'santo 5% Ln	£150	..	500	10.0	..
59½	40	Do 6¾ Ln	£59½	..	625	11.1	..
220	117	Do 5% Cnv	£117	..	500	4.3	..
60	35	Montfort Knit	60	..	4.9	8.2	9.2
85	25	More O'Ferrall	76	..	5.2	6.8	20.5
137	86	Morgan Cruc	129	..	7.7	6.0	11.7
46	30	Morgan Edwds	38	..	2.9	9.6	34.5
196	82	Morgan-Gramp	195	h ..	2.6	1.3	11.3
52	36	Morris & Blakey	50	..	6.2	12.5	12.0
50	33	Do A	48	..	6.2	13.0	11.5
86	44	Moss Bros	86	..	6.1b	7.0	15.6
67	45	Moss Eng	66	..	6.5	9.5	7.0
210	101	Mothercare	181	−2	4.2	2.3	21.3
12½	8	Movitex	12½	..	..	..	..
144	48	Mowlem J.	134	−1	9.9	7.4	9.1
200	127¾	Muirhead	182	r ..	7.6	4.2	13.9
72	39	Myson Grp	58	+½	..e	..	..
117	45	NSS News	111	..	3.2	2.9	10.1
51	27	Nathan B. & I.	47	..	4.6	9.7	10.2
67	38	Nat Carbon	46	..	..e	..	..
23	12	Needlers	22	+2	..	..	..
45	30½	Neepsend	41	−1	4.5	11.0	16.7
84	37	Negretti & Zam	81	+1	5.0	6.2	7.4
93	61	Neill J.	93	..	7.3	7.8	6.8
157	45	Newarthill	170	−5	6.8	4.0	12.3
72	33½	Newman Ind	70	+1	7.6	10.8	2.8
72	33	Newman Tonks	69	−1	5.5	8.0	6.8
162	89	Newmark L.	158	..	9.3	5.9	5.6
94	51	Norcros	86	−2	6.2	7.2	6.7
30	11	Norfolk C. Grp	29	..	0.9	3.1	14.4
46	26	Normand Elec	44	..	4.3	9.8	14.1
100	54	NEI	98½	+1½	8.5b	8.4	..
125	64	Nthn Foods	114	+1	4.7	4.1	9.7
180	44	Norton & Wright	174	−2	6.0	3.4	16.8
38	9	Norton W. E.	35	..	1.0	2.8	6.0
100	53	Norwest Holst	89	h −2	6.4	7.2	6.3
108	60	Notts Mfg	107	..	4.5	4.2	10.1
122	45½	Nurdin & Peacck	104	+1	2.6	2.5	14.5
26	17½	Nu-Swift Ind	25	..	2.2b	8.9	10.4

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
103	74	Ocean Wilsons	94	..	5.4	5.8	9.8
99	55	Office & Elect	96	+2	6.2	6.4	7.0
108	69	Olrex Grp	107	..	5.0	4.7	12.5
31¾	23¾	Ogilvy & M	£24	+¼	21.5	0.9	10.3
84	40	Osborn S.	73	−1	5.4	7.5	4.4
81	43	Owen Owen	71	−1	4.0	5.7	7.1
51	7	Oxley Printing	46	..	3.8b	8.2	9.2
121	56½	Parker Knoll 'A'	106½	..	4.9	4.6	4.2
115	60	Parker Timber	113	..	8.3	7.3	5.0
36	14	Paterson R	36	..	3.5	9.6	10.4
230	126¾	Paterson Zoch	230	..	10.6	4.6	4.3
225	117¾	Do A NV	220	..	10.6	4.8	4.3
136	62½	Pauls & Whites	126	−5	6.5	5.2	9.2
186	103	Pearson Long	155	..	8.2	4.7	6.1
207	123	Pearson & Son	197	−1	9.4	4.7	9.3
37½	24½	Do 4% Ln	£34½	..	400	11.6	..
298	152	Pegler-Hatt	168	..	11.6	7.0	5.5
21	6	Pentland Ind	20	..	1.0	4.9	6.9
80	42	Pentos	79	−1	6.8	8.3	8.1
90	63	Perkin El 4%	£73	..	..	..	..
172	81	Perry H. Mtrs	161	..	7.8	4.8	10.2
87	59	Petrocon Grp	77	..	6.7	9.2	8.5
64	51	Philips Fin 5¾%	£77½	..	575	10.0	..
11	7½	Philips Lamps	£7½	+⅛	37.1	4.9	..
19	7	Philips Pats	17	−2	..	..	30.5
195	64	Phoenix Timber	157	−2	6.5	4.1	2.1
282	130	Photo-Me Int	240	..	6.0	2.5	7.3
90	67	P'dilly Theatre	80	..	1.6	2.0	43.2
14	11	Pickles W.	13	..	1.0	8.0	9.7
110	54	Pifco Hldgs	110	..	4.1	3.7	8.3
108	52	Do A	105	..	4.1	3.8	8.2
540	273	Pilkington Bros	433	−10	16.0	3.7	6.8
66	44	Pittard Grp	66	..	4.0	6.0	5.7
131	81	Plaxtons	131	+1	10.8	8.2	5.5
74	31	Pleasurama	70	..	3.1	4.4	6.3
117	62	Plessey	91	+1	7.3	8.1	9.2
15¾	7¾	Do ADR	£11	..	..	..	..
78	42	Plysu	73	−1	2.0	2.6	10.1
45	23	Pontins	42½	h −½	2.5	6.0	14.9
423	236	Park Farms	420	..	19.8h	4.7	11.0
256	158	Portals Hldgs	240	..	11.9	4.9	10.7
127	51	Porter Chad	115	..	7.5	6.5	6.8
50	32	Portsmth News	50	..	4.3	8.6	6.2
223	119	Powell Duffryn	189	−1	15.2	8.0	9.4
72	50	Pratt F. Eng	69	−2	7.0	10.6	6.9
78	25	Preedy A.	75	−3	2.2	2.9	9.2
28	12¾	Press W	28½	−½	1.1	4.5	6.6
195	107	Prestige Grp	150	..	7.7	4.8	11.9
46	27	Prestwich Par	34	..	4.6	13.6	9.6
185	135	Pretoria P Cem	185	..	17.6n	10.7	3.3
287	194	Pride & Clarke	267	f +15	16.0	6.4	22.9
79	45	Priest B	76	..	7.7	10.1	6.9
29½	19¾	Pritchard Serv	32	−½	2.3	7.0	8.9
113	37	Pye Hldgs	112	..	4.4n	3.9	8.4
36	23	Pyke W J	31	−1	1.0	3.2	48.4
42	23	Pyramid Grp	40	..	3.3	8.3	8.1
22¾	14½	Quaker Oat	£14¾	−½	59.7	4.0	6.9
30½	6½	Queens Moat	29½	..	..	..	30.0
37	21	Quick H. J.	30	..	2.5	8.9	6.3
77	21	R.F.D.Group	64	−3½	2.4	3.8	5.9
74	37	RKT Textiles	74	..	6.5	8.9	8.7
209	117	Racal Elect	209	−½	5.9	2.8	10.9
19	12	Radio Eng	16½	..	1.3	8.0	7.3
20	9	Rakusen Grp	19	..	..	..	..
274	140	Rank Org Ord	252	−5	10.9	4.2	17.2
50½	39½	RHM	47	−½	5.0	10.6	7.5
67	50	RHP	65	−2	5.8	9.0	8.5
152	99	Ransomes Sims	131	−1	12.0	9.0	7.0
80	30½	Ratcliffe F. S.	80	..	7.1	8.9	7.0
94	18¾	Ratners	91	−3	1.0	1.0	9.6
71	25	Raybeck Ltd	71	..	5.1	7.2	12.5
35½	23½	Readicut Int	35	−½	2.2	6.4	7.3
143	72	RMC	141	−2	8.5	6.5	9.3
438	330	Reckitt & Colmn	423	−4	15.3	3.6	9.1
66	59	Record Ridgway	86	..	6.8n	7.8	7.2
312	76	Redfearn Nat	311	−1	24.0	7.7	4.2
99	61	Rediffusion	61	..	0.5	7.1	11.5
101	56	Redland	154	−1	6.3	4.4	10.0
62	16	Redman Heenan	56	..	2.8	4.0	3.9
63	23	Reed & Smith	62	h ..	3.2	5.1	..
100	32	Reed A.	98	..	4.1	4.7	10.4
97	32	Do A NV	97	..	3.9	4.5	10.3
47	15	Reed Exec	47	..	4.2	8.9	..
256	119	Reed Int	238	+2	25.7	14.3	5.6
21¾	14¾	Reliance Grp	£19¾	−¼	..	..	8.2
41	23½	Reliance Knit	41	..	4.4	10.6	3.6
98	44	Rennies Cons	44	..	9.7	21.9	2.1
164	112	Renold Ltd	[illegible]	−1	13.1	10.5	3.4
60	25	Rentokil Grp	56	−1	2.3	4.1	13.0
44	17	Restmor Grp	44	−3	..e	..	28.7
94	64	Revertex	84	−1	7.4	8.9	5.4
65	37	Rexmore	60	..	6.5	10.9	4.9
140	35½	Ricardo Eng	137	..	4.0	2.9	10.3
77	27	Richards & Wall	72	−1	6.2	8.6	5.9
29	24¼	Richdsn Merrell	£24¾	−¼	51.8	2.7	20.2
64	25	Richardsons W.	54	..	6.2	11.5	6.5
144	71½	Rockware Grp	144	−1	5.0	5.6	8.5
75	55	Rolls-R Motors	68½	−½	6.5	9.5	7.0
55½	25	Ropner Hldgs	42½	−½	2.2	7.1	5.4
49	24½	Do A	43½	−1½	3.2	7.4	5.2
13½	4½	Rotaprint	11½	..	..e	..	..
55	37	Rotaflex	52	..	2.5	4.7	9.5
59	22	[illegible]	50	..	4.2	8.4	9.3
56	30	Rothmans Int B	48	−1	3.1	6.3	3.1
102	59	Rotork Ltd	114	..	3.4	3.0	5.7
152	65	Routledge & K	132	..	5.6	5.7	21.6
202	40	Rowlinson Con	200	−2	2.4	3.4	5.1
430	212	Rowntree Mac	412	..	21.5	2.9	21.2
164	65	Rowton Hotels	162	−1	5.0	6.4	17.4
142	54	Royal Worcs	125	..	9.0	7.2	8.5
25	14	Royco Grp	35½	..	0.9	2.3	..
40	25	Ruberoid	30	..	3.1	9.4	10.3
90	48	Rugby Cement	84	−1	5.0	6.0	10.2
62	22	Do NV	54	−1	4.2	7.8	25.3
174	55	SGB Grp	150	−2	9.0	5.3	7.6
37	7½	SKF 'B'	£47½	..	47.9	5.4	4.4
202	52	Saatchi	99	..	6.3	6.3	5.3
27½	15½	Sabah Timber	27	..	2.3	6.3	3.6
225	120	Sainsbury J.	190	−3	9.6	4.9	11.4
20½	15½	St Gobain	£19	..	25.1	4.0	7.8
250	112½	Sale Tilney	210	..	15.5	7.4	7.0
277	114	Samuel H.	277	−2	12.0	4.3	12.6
270	112	Do A	270	−2	12.0	4.4	13.3
65	41	Sanderson Kay	65	..	6.2	9.5	9.5
39	20	Sanderson Murr	35	..	4.7	13.2	3.5
50	40	Sangers J. E.	49	..	6.5	13.9	9.6
119	[illegible]	Sangers	95	..	9.9	11.0	6.2
72	22	Savoy Hotel 'A'	62	−1	1.5	2.4	25.5
114	59	Scapa Grp	109	−1	5.3n	7.6	4.6
277	155	Scholes G. H.	255	..	22.1	5.5	15.9
52	41	Scottcros	52	..	4.6	5.0	9.0
42	24	S.E.E.T.	41	−1	2.5	4.1	3.9
37	18½	Scot Heritable	35	..	2.0n	5.4	4.6
42	15	Scottish TV 'A'	35	..	3.4	5.5	4.9
97	55	Scot Univ Inv	95	..	7.2	7.9	13.2
76½	22½	Sears Hldgs	40½	..	3.6	8.4	15.4
65	47	Securicor Grp	61	..	1.5	3.0	10.9
47	40	Do NV	59	..	1.5	3.1	19.5
57	46	Security Serv	57	..	2.2	4.2	10.2
66	46	Do A	66	..	2.9	4.2	10.2
29	12½	Selincourt	19½	..	2.1b	11.4	10.5
19½	14½	Sharna Ware	22½	..	1.9	7.0	5.0
27	19	Shaw Carpets	25	..	1.8	7.1	8.5
129	44	[illegible]	90	..	9.0	9.9	7.6
29½	25	Shakespeare J.	29½	..	2.7	6.9	6.9
27½	[illegible]	Shaw Carpets	27½	..	..e	..	..
101	55	Sheepbridge	71	..	6.4	9.0	10.3
30	1½	Sherwood	25	..	..	..	..
135	62	Siebe Gorman	99	−2	9.3	9.4	13.5
165	112	Sidlaw Ind	152	..	7.0	4.4	10.1
65	31	Silentnight	65	−1	4.2	6.5	9.9
278	252	Silhouette 'A'	£260	..	700	4.4	..
230	129	Simon Eng	209	−4	11.1	5.3	6.6
99	26	Sirdar	96	..	5.9	6.7	7.0
92	74	Do A	84	..	5.8	6.9	6.5
56	32	600 Group	57	..	4.2	7.3	4.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Skelchley	77½	..	5.9	8.2	7.2
108	55	Smith D.S.	107	−1	7.0	6.5	12.7
27	21	Smith & Nephew	22	..	3.1	13.4	..
24	21	Smith W.H. 'A'	25	..	3.5	9.6	5.0
46	21½	Smiths Ind	44	−1	5.5	12.5	5.3
40	25	Smurfit	41	..	3.6	8.9	8.0
67	34½	Solicitors Law	65	..	3.5	5.4	13.7
184	67¾	Sotheby P.B.	168	..	3.1	1.8	18.9
205	120	Sparrow G.W.	180	..	11.0	6.5	7.7
226	94½	Spear & Jackson	205	..	9.2	4.5	17.5
26	15	Spencer Gears	24	..	2.5	10.6	9.8
25	15	Do NV	23	..	2.5	11.0	9.4
60	42	Spencer G.	55	..	5.5	10.5	10.7
224	156	Spillers	224	..	12.7	5.9	9.0
172	[illegible]	Spirax-Sarco	172	..	14.2	11.9	12.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Spooner Ind	[illegible]	..	1.5	5.5	8.3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Staffs Potts	[illegible]	..	1.7	7.3	27.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Stag Furniture	[illegible]	..	4.2	13.0	7.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Stanley A. G.	[illegible]	−1	13.5	5.3	10.0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Steel Bros	[illegible]	..	4.0	7.5	5.3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Steetley Co	[illegible]	−1	5.4	3.4	7.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Stonehill	[illegible]	..	..	e	2.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Stocklake Hldgs	[illegible]	..	7.3	7.3	5.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Stone-Platt	[illegible]	−2	5.9	5.9	12.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Stothert & Pitt	[illegible]	..	12.9	5.9	9.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Strong & Fisher	[illegible]	..	7.9b	5.0	10.3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sumrie	[illegible]	−1	9.2	4.9	8.8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sunbeam Wlsey	[illegible]	−1	1.3	9.4	6.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sutcliffe Speak	[illegible]	−2	5.9	5.3	4.0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Swan Hunter	[illegible]	..	5.9	3.3	6.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Swire Pacific 'A'	[illegible]	..	5.1	10.3	8.3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Symonds Eng	[illegible]	..	6.4	9.4	4.0

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
26	5	Tace	25½	..	0.5n	2.0	7.5
412	620	Tanganyika	755	−15	3.6	4.2	25.5
220	120	Tarmac Ltd	134	−4	17.4	10.0	7.5
230	155	Tate & Lyle	208	..	12.5	6.4	4.0
119	93	Tavener Rtlge	119	..	8.8	7.3	7.5
50	42	Taylor Pallis	50	+1	4.9	6.5	7.5
504	244	Taylor Woodrow	400	..	10.7	2.7	9.6
129	45	Tecalemit	111	..	5.5	4.9	7.5
42	25	Telefusion	39	..	1.9	4.8	6.5
41	17	Do A	38	..	1.8	4.7	6.3
142	84	Telephone Rent	132	..	8.3	6.3	11.6
52½	33	Tesco	43	−½	2.3	5.4	9.7
28	11	Textured Jersey	27	..	..	..	54.0
155	51	Thermal Synd	135	..	10.3	7.6	10.3
764	365	Thomson Org	612	−19	9.8	1.4	65.5
430	196½	Thorn Electric	362	−10	10.1	2.8	9.9
12½	6½	Thurgar Bardex	12½	−½	0.9	7.4	16.7
550	405	Tioxide?	440	−10	31.7	6.6	4.3
254	184	Tilbury Cont	246	..	27.2	11.0	5.3
122	60½	Tilling T	107	−4	6.5	6.1	8.4
128	42	Time Products	117	..	2.4	2.0	10.0
20	9	Titaghur Jute	12	..	..	..	..
19½	10	Tomkins F. H.	19	..	1.5	7.6	6.9
57½	31	Tootal	44	−1	3.8	7.8	10.9
37	26	Tove	37	..	1.3	3.4	23.0
50	32½	Toyer Kemsley	46	−1	4.6	10.0	5.6
166	95	Trafalgar H Ltd	156	−2	7.8	4.8	9.8
92	48	Trans Paper	74	+1	6.7	9.1	5.5
73	48	Transport Dev	69	..	4.5	6.5	12.5
5	2	Transwood Grp	4¾	+¼	2.5	52.6	1.1
144	77	Travis & Arnold	142	..	5.3	3.7	5.9
53	25	Tricoville	51	..	2.8	5.4	4.7
59	31½	Trident TV 'A'	53	..	4.3	8.1	6.7
89	50	Triplex Found	79	..	6.6	8.5	6.1
201	114	Trust Hse Forte	189	..	12.1	6.4	16.2
431	313½	Tube Invest	386	−2	31.8	8.2	8.2
287	137	Tunnel Hldg 'B'	282	−2	15.5	5.9	9.8
11¼	7	Turner Curzon	11	..	1.1	9.5	6.6
255	130	Turner Newall	208	−1	14.4	6.9	10.1
128	53	Turner Mfg	102	..	6.1	6.0	9.2
72	27	Turriff	63	−1	3.2	5.1	7.2
79	34	UBM Grp	74½	−½	6.4	8.6	20.0
99	54	UDS Grp	91	−1	7.3	8.0	14.9
192	143	UKO Int	167	..	12.5	7.5	9.1
103	65	Unicorn Ind	96	−2	8.2	8.8	6.7
57½	42	Unigate	54	−1	4.8	9.0	7.6
606	412	Unilever	526	−8	18.9	3.6	6.5
28¹³⁄₁₆	20¼	Do NV	£20¾	−1¼	116	5.7	8.0
102	55	Unitech	89	..	5.8	6.2	12.1
177	129½	Utd Biscuit	162	−1	8.2	5.0	9.2
54	21¾	Utd City Merc	32	..	1.1	2.2	6.3
32	20	Utd Eng	31	..	3.4	10.9	8.3
61	31½	Utd Gas Ind	54	..	5.5	10.2	8.8
390	195	Utd News	330	..	19.7	6.0	10.5
292	91½	Utd Scientific	290	..	9.1	3.1	12.1
42	19	Valor	38	..	3.0	7.8	6.6
127	78	Vantona	127	..	7.5	5.9	6.6
155	95	Vereeniging Ref	95	..	17.8	18.8	2.1
19¾	9¾	Veto	£17½	f ..	11.6	0.7	..
165	84	Vibroplant	105	−3	14.6	8.9	12.0
242	144	Vickers	182	..	13.8	7.4	4.7
46½	26	Vita-Tex	46	..	4.9	10.7	6.7
173	71	Vosper	150	..	6.9b	4.6	2.5
76	37	W Ribbons	75	−1	5.0	6.7	7.1
92	70	W&E?	85	..	8.8	10.6	17.9
262	111	Waddington J	224	..	17.0	7.6	8.0
29	18	Wade Potteries	29	..	2.0	7.0	5.9
117	70	Wadkin	113	..	8.0	7.1	6.3
125	49	Wagon Ind	121	..	11.2b	8.2	5.9
17½	10	Walker & Homer	13	..	1.4	10.5	3.8
130	79½	Walker C & W	119	..	9.1	7.7	8.4
103	32	Walker J. Gold	96	+2	3.2	3.4	7.0
102	32	Do NV	92	..	3.2	3.5	7.3
117	55½	Ward & Gold	105	..	6.2	6.0	7.3
62½	39½	Ward T. W.	62½	+½	6.2	9.9	8.5
20½	13	Wardle B	19	..	1.9	9.7	10.1
89½	44½	Waring & Gillow	89	..	4.9	5.5	9.2
46	29½	Warne Wright	84	..	4.0	9.5	5.3
80	43	Warren	85	f ..	..e	..	..
38	18½	Warrington T	37	..	4.7	12.5	20.3
51	21¾	Waterford Glass	45	..	1.6	3.7	15.5
91	50	Watmoughs	90	..	3.8	4.2	8.9
70	36	Watson & Philip	65	−2	3.5	5.3	12.3
175	102½	Watts Blake	157	..	6.4b	4.1	7.9
19½	10½	Wearwell	19½	..	..	..	3.5
150	77½	Weir Grp	115	..	8.0	7.0	5.8
24	9	Wellco Hldgs	22½	−½	0.8	3.2	3.9
50	31	Wellman Eng	50	..	3.3	6.8	9.1
44	22	Westbrick Pds	37	..	2.2	6.0	8.4
57	29	Westinghse Brke	42½	−½	3.1b	6.7	3.1
65½	45	Westland Air	50	−1	4.3	8.6	5.6
9	9	Westminster Int	9	f ..	..	e	..
26	15	Wharf Mill	21	..	2.2	10.2	9.7
54	25	Whatlings	44	..	3.7	8.4	6.0
210	139	W'stead Inst	150	..	11.4	7.6	8.1
30½	25	Whitlock Mar	29½	..	..	..	..
107	51	Whessoe	90	..	7.0	7.8	5.0
17	3	Whewav Watson	17	..	1.3	7.5	10.2
84	11	White Child	98	..	6.8	8.5	5.8
186	129	Whitecroft	180	..	20.0	11.1	4.0
54	13	Whiteley BSW	45	..	0.8e	1.7	18.6
135	59	Wholesale Fit	122	−1	8.0	6.2	7.5
125	95	Wigfall H	155	−3	7.5	4.8	..
25	11	Wiggins Constr	25	..	2.4	9.7	8.0
114	55	Wight Cons	111	..	10.2	8.9	9.0
211	129	Wilkins & Mitchell	200	..	13.2	6.6	10.9
103	70	Do Dfd Cons	1103	..	1000	9.7	..
42	29½	Wills J. Cardiff	42	..	4.2	9.9	5.5
53	35	Wills G & Sons	53	+2	2.2	4.2	6.0
91½	51	Wilmot Breeden	69½	..	4.5	6.7	4.8
35	17½	Wilson Bros	36½	−1	2.1	5.8	8.9
91	38	Wimpey G.	77	−1	0.9	1.2	30.1
15	24	Winn Ind	39½	..	4.0	11.0	7.7
44	29½	Wilter T	41½	..	4.4	10.5	7.3
190	92	W'sley Hughes	155	..	10.2	6.1	8.6
30	16	Wood & Sons	29	..	0.9	3.1	6.1
17	10	Wood S. W.	47	..	5.9	12.6	..
94	61	Wood Hall Trst	93	−1	7.3	7.9	8.8
224	97	Woodhead J	113	..	10.3	4.9	6.9
32	20	W'dh'se Rixson	31	−½	1.1	10.7	8.5
68	47	Woolworth	65	+1	6.0	9.2	13.7
27	15	Wrighton F.	19	..	1.7	8.9	6.7
290	140	Yarrow & Co	285	..	7.0	2.5	9.7
73	23½	York Trailer	66	−2	3.3	4.9	6.9
90	42	Youghal C'pts	56	−2	7.2	12.8	5.7
50	22	Zetters	48	−1	1.8	3.7	11.5

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
285	175	Akroyd & Sm	232	+4	25.4	10.9	2.4
340	200	Assam Trdng 'B'	290	..	3.5	1.2	3.2
30	17	Boustead	26	+½	2.3	8.7	7.5
25	6	Brit Arrow	22	−1	..	..	..
114	71	BET Dfd	108	−3	7.9	7.3	8.1
143	102	Challenge Corp	105	..	7.0	6.7	5.6
65	12	Charterhse Grp	64	..	5.1	7.9	11.0
37½	27¾	C Fin de Suez	£38	..	..	..	..
345	215	Daily Mail Tst	338	−2	18.2	5.4	21.2
345	210	Do A	333	−2	18.2	5.5	20.9
242	125	Dalgety	227	−2	17.7	7.8	7.9
34	13	Dawnay Day	20	..	1.5	5.1	11.7
22	13	Edin Ind Hldgs	15	+½	0.2n	1.0	34.1
112	79	Electra Inv	98	−2	6.5	6.7	20.9
37	15	Exploration	28	..	0.8	2.9	11.0
50	17	FC Finance	7½	..	2.3	3.0	20.9
31	14	Goode D & M Grp	28½	−1½	1.2	4.6	..
427	229½	Inchcape	365	..	15.4	4.2	8.5
125	60	Lloyds & Scot	100	−1	6.0	5.5	14.5
27	6	Ldn & Euro Grp	17	..	..	..	..
120	61	M&G Grp Hldgs	107	..	5.0	4.6	11.3
54	26	Manson Fin	48	..	4.2	8.8	17.0
79	47	Martin R. P.	71	..	9.1	12.9	10.6
55	40	Prop Ins & Fin	89	..	6.1b	7.5	19.1
119	62	Prov Fin Grp	101	..	6.9	6.9	11.5
120	67	Sime Darby	87	−1	4.2	4.8	7.8
67	37	Smith Bros	60	..	6.6	11.4	12.7
750	631	Tyndall O'seas	677	..	46.4	6.9	..
55	14	Utd Dom Tst	47	+1	..e	..	34.3
117	43½	Wagon Fin	93	..	6.3b	6.7	12.3
79	32	Yule Catto	73½	−1½	2.0	2.8	13.8

INSURANCE

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
131	65	Bowring	113	−1	4.2	3.7	..
55	39	Brentnall Beard	53	−1	1.9	3.6	9.9
184	112	Britannic	168	−2	12.5	7.5	..
172	102½	Com Union	149	−1	11.6	7.8	..
250	207	Eagle Star	157	−1	9.3	5.9	..
194	114	Equity & Law	172	..	9.4	5.4	..
254	161	Gen Accident	236	−2	12.5b	5.3	..
254	176	Guardian Royal	250	−2	14.5	5.8	..
290	195	Hambro Life	293	..	24.1	8.2	..
270	129½	Heath C. E.	233	..	7.5	3.0	11.7
221	133	Hogg Robinson	172	..	9.0	5.2	9.6
201	127	Howden A	166	..	5.6	3.3	10.2
184	109	Legal & Gen	172	−1	8.0	4.7	..
117	61	Leslie & Godwin	93	−1	6.4	6.9	10.5
150	96	London & Man	130	..	8.2	6.3	..
150	77	Ldn Utd Inv	143	−2	5.8	4.0	11.9
255	157	Matthews W'son	212	..	13.9	6.6	9.5
175	100	Minet Hldgs	165	−2	4.9	3.0	13.7
79	43	Moran C.	63	−2	5.0n	7.9	7.0
282	152	Pearl	256	..	17.3	6.7	..
322	159	Phoenix	282	−2	14.9	5.3	..
130	100	Prov Life 'A'	130	..	11.8	9.1	..
130	100	Do A Br	130	..	11.8	9.1	..
150	100	Do B	130	..	11.8	9.1	..
130	100	Do B Br	130	..	11.8	9.1	..
180	115	Prudential	162	−2	9.5	5.9	..
152	94	Refuge	142	..	10.5	7.4	..
420	250	Royal	412	..	23.5	5.7	..
396	124	Sedg Forbes	343	..	14.5	4.2	14.3
111	39	Stenhouse	102	..	6.1	6.0	7.8
662	385	Sun Alliance	594	−6	30.5	5.1	..
117	65	Sun Life	103	−1	4.7	4.5	..
175	112	Trade Indem'ty	165	..	12.0	7.3	..
310	155	Willis Faber	278	−4	11.9	4.3	14.3

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
142	104	Aberdeen Trst	130	−1½	7.1	5.4	25.2
224	166	Alliance Trust	207	−3	9.6n	4.6	28.1
49	31½	Amer Trust	40½	−¼	1.8b	4.5	37.2
100	75	Ang-Amer Secs	90	−½	4.1	4.5	30.9
52	32	Anglo Int Inv	49	+½	4.4	9.0	17.2
157	87	Do As	139	−2	..	..	..
44½	21	Anglo Scot	39½	−2	2.4	6.1	25.6
133½	92½	Ashdown Inv	122½	−1	5.5	4.3	34.3
53	35	ABC Regional	50	..	0.9	1.5	51.0
98½	49	Atlantic Assets	79½	−1½	0.6	0.8	..
62	40	Atlas Electric	55½	+½	2.4	4.4	33.0
61½	34¾	Bankers Inv	57½	+½	3.5b	6.6	21.7
56	40	Berry Trust	53	−1	1.3	2.5	58.2
298½	209½	Border & Sthrn	270½	−4	11.4	4.2	33.3
41½	30	Brit Am & Gen	38	−½	2.3	6.1	23.7
71½	45	Brit Assets Tst	67½	−1	3.3	5.1	28.0
11	7¾	Brit Emp Sec	11¾	..	0.9	7.7	19.6
165	116	Brit Invest	142	h −3½	6.8	4.8	32.6
159	102½	Broadstone	149	..	7.2	4.9	31.6
96½	62	Brunner	91½	..	5.4	5.9	25.6
76	42	Bryceurt Inv	74	..	3.3	4.4	33.4
66	43	CLRP Inv	65	..	2.9	4.4	27.4
290	187	Caledonia Inv	253	..	12.8	5.0	27.9
73½	56	Caledonian Tst	63	−1½	2.6	4.1	41.3
69½	52	Do B	60	−3	..	..	..
124½	91	Capital & Natl	113½	+3	6.1	5.3	..
117½	84½	Do B	109½	−2½	..	..	..
107½	73	Cardinal 'Dfd'	101½	..	5.1	5.0	..
119½	58½	Carliol Inv	108½	..	5.7	5.3	26.2
67	46	Cedar Inv	66	..	3.8	5.7	25.0
59	40	Charter Trust	53	..	3.3	6.2	23.9
69½	54	Clydesdale Inv	63	..	2.7	4.3	40.4
69	49	Do B	60	−1½	..	..	..
119½	9¾	Common Mkt	£111¾	..	20.5g	1.8	..
204½	102½	Cont & Ind	182½	−2	9.1	5.0	31.4
129½	102	Crescent Japan	119½	..	..	..	..
82	48	Crossfriars	79	+3	5.1	6.4	23.0
29½	14½	Cumulus	28½	+1	1.2	4.2	33.6
100	80	Delta Inv	80	..	..	..	..
205	122	Derby Tst 'Inc'	205	+3	20.0	9.8	20.0
170	96	Do Cap	162	..	..	..	..
135	106	Drayton Com	129	−½	6.2	5.2	22.4
146	115	Drayton Cons	136	−1	7.1	5.3	25.6
190	150	Do Premier	176	−2	9.2	5.2	27.4
65	40½	Dundee & Ldn	59½	−½	3.9	5.8	25.1
163½	116	Edin & Dundee	163	h −½	5.3b	3.3	..
96½	65	Edin Amer Ass	88	−3½	1.4	1.6	74.6
229	164	Edinburgh Inv	217	−1	9.6b	4.4	37.8
72½	50	Elec & Gen	61½	..	2.2b	3.6	38.2
92½	69½	Eng & Int	84½	−1	5.3	6.3	22.7
76	54½	Eng & N York	69	..	3.6b	5.3	28.7
283	171½	Estate Duties	281	−2	11.2	4.0	33.4
93	69	First Scot Am	83	−1	4.3	5.2	32.8
133	117	Foreign & Colnl	138	−1	4.4	3.2	47.8
131	99½	Gt Japan Inv	99½	−½	1.5	1.5	48.1
148½	100	Gen Funds 'Ord'	133½	−1	6.3	4.7	40.8
117½	78	Do Conv	107½	..	..	..	..
106	74½	Gen Inv & Tsts	98	−1	5.2	5.3	26.7
84	65	Gen Scottish	76½	..	4.6	6.0	24.8
87½	64	Glenderon	80	−1	2.6	3.2	56.3
122½	71	Globe Trust	105	+½	6.2b	5.9	25.3
76	49	Grange Trust	72	..	2.9	4.0	34.0
110	75	Great Northern	104	..	5.4	5.2	29.5
86	61½	Greenfriar	75	..	1.8b	2.4	43.1
49	27	Gresham Hse	46	..	4.6	9.9	10.9
84½	57	Guardian	74	+1	3.6	4.8	31.0
94	61	Hambros	85	−1	5.1	6.0	26.1
94	53	Harcros	83	h +1	2.9	3.5	47.7
193½	122	Hill P. Inv	178	..	10.5b	5.9	25.2
79	42	Hume Hldgs A	73	−1	5.6	7.7	18.5
52½	44	Indus & General	49½	..	2.2	4.5	31.3
76	52	Internat Inv	71½	..	3.0b	5.0	26.4
121	89½	Invest in Suc	110½	..	4.0b	3.8	34.2
206	152	Inv Tst Corp	188	..	9.2	4.9	30.4
75	58½	Inv Cap Trst	68	..	2.5	3.7	37.6
132½	109	Jardine Japan	109	−3	1.1	1.0	..
143	107	Jersey Ext	114	..	..	..	..
90	66	Lake View Inv	84	−1½	3.3	4.0	35.4
101	68	Law Deb Corp	96	..	6.2	6.2	23.6
111	84	Ldn & Holyrood	103	..	5.0	4.9	32.0
161	130	Ldn & Montrose	174	..	8.0	4.6	32.3
100	51	Ldn & Prov Tst	100	−1	4.7	4.7	32.3
96	34	Ldn Merch Sec	91	−2	2.1	2.3	..
94½	21	Do Cap	96	−1	..	..	..
71	44	Ldn Pru Invest	68	..	4.2b	6.1	25.8
193	125	Ldn Trust	189	..	12.1b	6.4	24.7
39¾	26	Mercantile Inv	35¾	..	1.5	4.4	36.3
72½	55	Merchants Trust	67	..	3.9b	5.9	29.1
50	40½	Monks Inv	44½	−1	2.1	4.8	30.5
85	47	Moorgate Inv	80	..	4.6	5.8	24.7
22	11½	New Throg 'Inc'	21	..	2.4	11.3	15.8
127	54	Do Cap	100	..	..	..	..
94	74½	North Atlantic	83	..	4.1	4.9	28.5
100	71	Northern Amer	88	..	4.3	4.9	31.0
101	64	Northern Sec	99	−1	5.0b	5.1	23.1
66	49	Oil & Associated	61	..	3.0	4.9	28.6
113	88	Pentland	112	−2	5.2	4.6	26.3
75	60	Progressive Sec	73	..	4.0	5.5	25.8
125	98	Raeburn	112	−2	5.2	4.7	30.4
177	108	River & Merc	164	..	11.5	7.0	20.9
144	65½	River Plate	137	−1	8.2	5.9	..
89	60	Romney Trust	79	−2	3.8	4.8	32.6
127	104½	Rothschild	140	..	6.5	5.1	25.1
71	44	Safeguard	68	..	5.5	5.0	18.0
58	37½	Scot Amer	53	−1½	3.3b	3.9	..
45½	33½	Scot&Cont'Inv	44½	..	1.8	4.1	35.0
131	49	Scot & Merc 'A'	126	−4	4.6	3.6	27.6
132	102	Scot Eastern	120	−½	5.7b	4.7	32.5
39½	25	Scot European	35½	..	2.3b	6.4	25.9
95½	75	Scot Invest	89½	−½	3.9	4.4	33.1
118½	91½	Scot Mortgage	104	−½	4.6b	4.4	32.7
148½	111	Scot National	136	−½	5.2	3.8	35.6
106	70	Scot Northern	97	..	4.2	4.4	32.6
87½	72	Scot United	78½	−1½	3.0	3.9	41.4
89½	70	Scot Western	80½	−½	3.2	3.9	45.0
80½	61½	Do B	79	−½	..	..	..
191½	113	Sec Alliance	180	−1½	8.6	4.8	30.8
78½	61½	Sec Gt Northern	73	−½	2.5	3.4	43.7
73½	58	Do B	70	..	..	..	41.9
174	132	Sterling Trust	160	−1	7.6	4.5	32.5
94½	67½	Stockholders	85½	−½	3.1	3.7	38.9
103	62	Throg Sec 'Cap'	90	..	..	..	..
73	42½	Throgmtn Trust	77	+1	6.2	8.7	18.0
87½	59½	Tribune Inv	55	−1½	1.8b	3.1	39.1
87¾	46½	Triplevest Inc	66	−1½	6.4	9.7	16.8
179	94	Do Cap	150	−2	..	..	..
133	92	Trustees Corp	126	−2	5.4	5.0	28.4
111	87½	Tyneside Inv	104	h ..	5.7b	5.5	18.7
129	97	Utd Brit Secs	114	..	6.4	5.6	26.6
95	74½	Utd States Deb	83½	−1½	4.6b	5.6	24.8
190	112	Utd States Gen	181	−1	6.0	3.3	45.5
104	69½	Viking Res	93½	−½	1.4	1.5	77.2
194	140	W'bottom Trust	181	−1	7.0	3.9	36.4
86	63	Witan Inv	76½	−1	3.2b	4.2	..
43	51	Do B	71	−1	0.1	0.1	..
121	111	Yeoman Tst	167	−1	10.3b	6.3	24.4
29	17	Yorks & Lancs	29	−1	2.1b	7.1	21.0
80	50	Young Co Inv	75	..	5.0b	6.7	21.9

SHIPPING

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
321	215	Brit & Comm	290	..	13.0	4.5	9.9
152	54	Fisher J.	117	..	2.2	1.9	12.3
365	207	Furness Withy	347	−1	11.9	3.4	6.9
305	148	Hunting Gibson	220	..	16.4	7.5	5.1
38½	24¼	Jacobs J. I.	37½	+½	2.8	7.6	11.0
57½	33½	Ldn & O'seas Fr	37½	−½	5.1	13.6	..
270	215	Manch Liners	232	..	7.6	3.3	30.3
179	129½	Ocean Trans	172	..	11.2	6.9	3.5
179	110	P & O 'Dfd'	113	..	9.8	8.5	7.6
124	100	Runciman W	105	..	12.6	11.8	7.7

MINES

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
320	270	Anglo Am Coal	410	−1	27.9	6.3	..
322	195	Anglo Am Corp	252	−4	20.2b	8.3	..
17½	11¾	Ang Am Gold	£14¹⁵⁄₁₆	−¼	107	7.3	..
32½	19	Anglo Am Inv	£30¼	..	303	9.5	..
9½	6¾	Anglo Transvl	£6¾	..	66.1	10.6	..
9½	6¼	Do A	£6¾	..	66.1	10.6	..
11¾	8¾	Asarco	£9¾	..	22.0	2.5	..
207	233	Ayer Hitam	226	−5	27.1	12.2	..
58	39	Beralt Tin	46	..	6.2	13.4	..
417	249	Blyvoors	291	−14	33.3	11.5	..
40	17	Botswana RST	17	..	..	..	..
84	55	Bracken Mines	63	+1	7.5	12.4	..
127	67	BH South	77	..	..	..	..
10¾	5¾	Buffelsfontein	£5¾	−¼	94.5	17.1	..
154	106	Charter Cons	133	..	11.3	8.5	..
289½	136	Cons Gold Fields	196	−2	11.7	6.3	..
311	188	De Beers 'Dfd'	287	−4	26.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
338	145	Doornfontein	246	−11	28.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
344	132	Durban Rood	246	−18	..e	[illegible]	[illegible]
35	9	East Dagga	19	−1½	..	[illegible]	[illegible]
735	425	E Driefontein	604	−13	42.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
477	177	E Rand Prop	223	−11	..e	[illegible]	[illegible]
58	29	El Oro M & Ex	58	..	1.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
140	64	Elsburg Gold	116	+1½	3.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
14¹⁵⁄₁₆	9¾	F S Geduld	£13¹¹⁄₁₆	+⅛	159	[illegible]	[illegible]
570	217	Geevor Tin	480	−5	30.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
17½	12	Gen Mining	£14½	−¼	139	[illegible]	[illegible]
295	185	Gopeng Cons	283	−4	21.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
138	52	Grootvlei	127	−3	11.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
310	169	Hamersley	263	−2	..	[illegible]	[illegible]
112	77	Hampton Gold	82	..	2.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
469	235	Harmony	346	−11	33.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
13½	7¾	Hartebeest	£9¹¹⁄₁₆	−¼	91.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
15	10¾	Jo'burg Cons	£10¾	..	104	[illegible]	[illegible]
382	200	Kinross	297	−15	22.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
576	290	Kloof	425	−25	18.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
47	20	Leslie	32	−½	2.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
544	175	Libanon	432	−15	49.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
75	42	Lydenburg Plat	55	..	1.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
242	123	MIM Hldgs	225	+2	5.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
53	43	MTD (Mangula)	48	−2	12.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
410	220	Malayan Tin	285	−5	..	[illegible]	[illegible]
121	46	Marievale Con	77	−7	23.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
195	53	Messina Trans	68	..	19.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
36	10	Metals Explor	14	..	..	[illegible]	[illegible]
230	125	Middle Witts	160	..	14.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
184	125	Minorco	138	−5	6.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
480	250	Nthgate Explor	350	−5	30.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
45	28	Pahang Cons	43	−1	2.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
525	345	Peko Wallsend	385	+5	..	[illegible]	[illegible]
10⅞	6¾	Pres Brand	£7⅞	−⅛	85.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
7⅝	4⅝	Pres Steyn	£6¼	−¼	13.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
160	80	Rand Mine Prop	120	−1	5.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
32¾	19	Randfontein	£30¾	−¾	221	[illegible]	[illegible]
246	174	Rio Tinto Zinc	190	−1	12.9b	[illegible]	[illegible]
165	52	Roan Cons 'B'	52	..	..	[illegible]	[illegible]
96	60	Rustenburg	71	..	..	[illegible]	[illegible]
90	35	Saint Piran	59	−¼	3.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
12⅛	6¾	St Helena	£7⅞	−⅛	75.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
590	370	Selection Tst	398	−6	25.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
231	118	Sentrust	174	−3	29.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
97	25	SA Land	35	−3	..e	[illegible]	[illegible]
76	58	South Crofty	76	−1	6.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
510	235	Southvaal	462	−20	43.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
305	150	Sthn Malayan	245	−5	18.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
160	57	Sungei Besi	133	−2	..	[illegible]	[illegible]
164	116	Tang Cons	138	..	21.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
103	42	Tanjong Tin	100	..	9.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
260	207¾	Tharsis Sulph	250	..	..	[illegible]	[illegible]
12¾	9¼	Transvaal Cons	£11½	..	61.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
200	97	Tronoh Mines	151	..	7.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
230	117	UC Invest	202	−5	28.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
294	165	Union Corp	228	−5	23.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
14¾	8	Vaal Reefs	£11⁹⁄₁₆	−⅝	77.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
288	70	Venterspost	268	−3	71.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
42	27	Wankie Colliery	40	−2	7.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
253	118	Welkom	217	−6	22.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
23	13¾	W Driefontein	£17¾	−¼	174	[illegible]	[illegible]
209	113	W Rand Cons	162	−5¼	8.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
221	110	Western Areas	173	+1	8.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
8¾	5¾	Western Deep	£6¾	−⅛	51.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
17	10½	Western Hldgs	£13¾	−¼	125	[illegible]	[illegible]
164	85	Western Mining	89	+1	3.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
671	390	Winkelhaak	575	−17	56.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
22½	12	Zambia Copper	12	..	..	[illegible]	[illegible]

OIL

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence
69	44	Ampol Pet	59	..	2.4
120	47	Attock	112	f ..	6.5
166	123	Brit Borneo	154	+2	9.3
960	776	BP	810	..	33.5
83	41	Burmah Oil	53	..	..e
66½	44½	Century Oils	50	−1	3.7
34½	18½	Charterhall	27	−½	..
18¾	12¾	C F Petroles	£13	..	143
44	24	KCA Int	34	−½	0.2
195	162	Lasmo	194	..	..
415	265	Do Ops	404	..	..
109½	84½	Do 14% Ln	£109½	..	1400
322	77	Oil Exploration	272	−4	2.9
22½	8	Premier Cons	18	−½	..
23⁵⁄₁₆	14¾	Ranger Oil	£15¾	+¼	..
3¾	1½	Reynolds Dis	1½	..	..
50½	35½	Royal Dutch	£36	+½	147
632	456	Shell	515	..	23.5
202	104	Tricentrol	164	..	1.7
266	124	Ultramar	229	+2	..
156	84	Do 7% Cnv	134	..	10.6

PROPERTY

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence
60¾	29¾	Allied Ldn	54	..	2.9
240	127	Allnatt Ldn	227	−2	5.9
240	114	Apex Props	225	..	5.3
18½	11	Aquis Secs	15	..	0.9
101	46½	Beaumont Prop	93	..	4.9
57	28½	Bellway Hldgs	57	−1	4.0
127	59	Berkeley Hmbro	115	−1	4.0
196	130	Bilton Percy	190	..	9.4
183	116	Do Accum	177	..	0.3
232	118	Bradford Prop	227	..	9.9
47½	22	British Land	37	..	..e
116	56¾	Brixton Estate	115	..	2.9b
50½	10	Cap & Counties	49½	+½	1.5b
315	141	Chesterfield	312	..	5.5
14½	6½	Chown Secs	14	..	..
268	145	Churchbury Est	285	−1	6.6
64	37½	City Offices	63	..	2.5
172	114	Corn Exchange	170	−2	2.9
27½	17	Country & New T	23½	−½	1.0
91	35	County & Dist	87½	−1½	1.2
69	32½	Daejan Hldgs	66½	..	4.5
51½	34	Eng Prop	44½	..	3.5
20½	11	Estates & Gen	20	−½	1.2
83	35	Estates Prop	79	..	1.5
200	64	Evans of Leeds	195	..	3.9
330	200	Gt Portland	324	−2	6.0
57	32	Guildhall	48	..	3.7
595	310	Hammerson 'A'	575	..	7.7
280	152	Haslemere Ests	254	..	4.6
241	142	Land Secs	228	..	7.3
56	32¾	Law Land	49	..	1.5b
93	49½	Ldn & Prov Sh	90	..	1.1
74	40	Ldn Shop	72	..	4.5
128	69	Lynton Hldgs	125	..	3.5
113	46	MEPC	120	..	2.6
34	8¾	Marler Estates	21	−1	..
38	15	Midhurst Whites	35	+½	..
122	46	Mucklow A & J	118	−1	3.4
166	108	Municipal	160	..	7.8
33	28	Peachey Prop	31	..	1.5
315	180	Prop & Rever	312	..	7.1
313	178	Do A	312	..	7.1
343	210	Prop Hldgs	343	..	6.9
156	44	Prop Sec	151	−1	2.9
5	2	Raglan Prop	3	+¼	..
85	31	Regional	82	..	1.0
77	30	Do A	72½	−½	1.0
114	29	Rush & Tompkins	107	−2	3.9
118	59¾	Scot Met Props	115	−1	3.9
129	77	Slough Ests	127½	+½	3.4
266	158	Stock Conv	260	..	2.8
290	90	Sunley B.	222	−8	6.1
16	5	Town & City	16	..	0.0
97	41	Trafford Park	96	..	5.5
24	10½	UK Props	23½	−½	..
29	7¾	Webb J	19½	..	0.7
19	10½	W'minster & C'ty	19	..	..

RUBBER

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence
52	34	Anglo-Indonesia	52	..	3.0
32	18	Bradwall FMS	31	..	1.9
197	82	Castlefield	168	..	5.0
58	25	Chersonese	53	..	3.0
196	74½	Cons Plant	106	+2½	12.0
44	13	Doranakande	41	..	2.2n
47½	27¼	Gadek Malaysia	47	−½	1.0
9¾	5½	Grand Central	9¾	−¼	0.8
250	155	Guthrie Corp	215	−2	19.2
69½	48	Harrisons Malay	69½	−½	4.6
66	39½	Highlds & Low	61	−3	4.7
140	67	Hongkong	140	..	8.4
200	125	Killinghall	200	..	17.5
31½	22	Kulim Malaysia	31	−1	2.1
61½	44	Ldn Sumatra	60	+½	3.1
39½	22½	Majedie	39½	..	1.0
39½	10½	Malayalam	30	h ..	1.7
33	19¾	Muar River	31	..	0.7
58	34	Plant Hldgs	56½	..	3.3
20¾	10½	Sungei Krian	£20	−¼	76.9

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence
390	147	Assam Frontier	345	h −20	24.6
116	52	Assam Inv	105	..	10.4
240	95	Camellia Inv	200	..	2.5
140	22	Deundi	130	h ..	4.9
250	123	Jokai	217	..	15.5n
225	120	McLeod Russel	183	+1	12.2
410	124	Moran	400	..	22.7
90	15	Surmah Valley	90	..	10.0
201	102	Warren Plant	183	..	20.0

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence
10¾	7¾	Algoma Cen Rly	£9¾	+¾	25.0
71	40	Calcutta Elec	64	..	13.0
49	42	E Surr Wtr 4%	£49	..	490
35¼	31½	Essex Wtr 3.5%	34½	..	350
64	47	Gt Nthn Tele	£49	..	193
450	342	Imp Cont Gas	374	..	14.2
38	32	Mid Kent Wtr	£37½	..	500
92	46	Milford Docks	80	..	4.1
230	140	Nigerian Elec	230	..	17.2
38	31½	Sunderland Wtr	£38	..	538

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	Index No. Latest	Div. Yield %	Earnings Yield %	Index No. Previous
The Times Industrial share Index	202.67	6.44	11.86	203.02
Largest Coys.	204.03	6.25	11.36	204.93
Smaller Coys.	198.35	7.05	13.89	198.80
Capital Goods	236.49	6.67	13.83	237.87
Consumer Goods	217.12	6.81	11.36	217.16
Store Shares	180.84	6.06	7.62	180.13
Largest financial shares	232.49	5.38	—	233.38
Largest financial and industrial shares	209.91	6.08	—	210.34
Commodity shares	197.82	6.09	12.43	198.66
Gold Mining shares	267.95	9.51	16.94	271.10
Industrial debenture stocks	65.90	6.17*	—	65.74
Industrial preference stocks	65.14	11.00*	—	[illegible]
3½% War Loan	36¾	9.71*	—	[illegible]

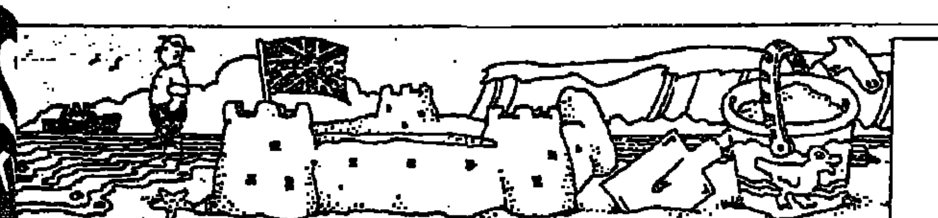
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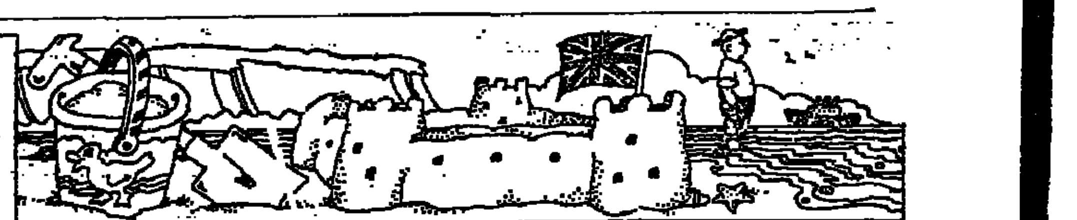
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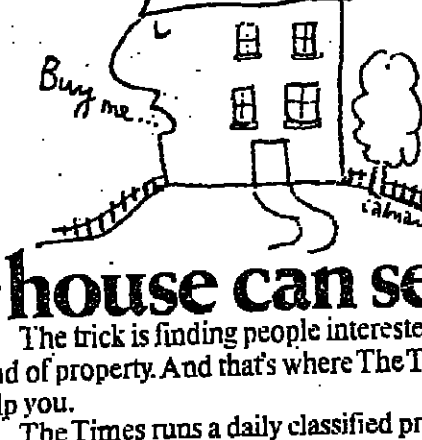
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Weekend SHOPAROUND Philippa Toomey

Making magic carpets

I remember with love the first carpet I ever bought—it was scarlet, 12ft by 9ft and I had to find a little man with a van to go and collect it from Macy's, because all their delivery vans were on strike. As we were in New York, he went, collected it, and charged me three-quarters of the price he had quoted because it really hadn't been all that much trouble. I had no furniture at the time—but the apartment had been newly painted white and carpets, like books, do furnish a room.

It is clearly a much better idea to have some furniture, and some idea of how things are going to look. I went to David Hicks's showroom at 101 Jermyn Street (a long way from the Hell's Kitchen Branch of the Salvation Army where I got my furniture in New York) where he has all one could possibly want to complete the look of perfection—starting from the floor up. From a professional decorator or designer, in whatever field he works, one can always learn something to one's advantage. Going through the door you notice at once the creative use of door mat, which, set into the carpet, stretches for at least three times the usual length of the one marked "welcome" and has interesting off-shoots, so that when you stop to look at an exquisitely arranged set of shelves, your great dirty hoofs are resting on a square of door mat strategically placed.

Borders are the thing—in the double window are two room sets with white cord bordered in red, and shown here is a patterned red carpet with a darker red border. Downstairs the showroom is carpeted in a small, severe geometric pattern in grey, black and white, and on the shelves are carpet samples in a riot of colour—a smashing one in red with two shades of mauve, one in bright clear green and white, and another of an almost Arab complexity of design in yellow and pink. There are more subdued shades, and pastels, and many are what are described as "sculptured". All these are to order from David Hicks, prices range from £20 (plus VAT) per metre, all carpets are 80 per cent wool, 20 per cent nylon, and you may have any carpet in any colour—there is an extra charge for anything under 25 metres, special dyeing is also extra, and the carpets are in various weights to cope with light or heavy traffic. There is a great deal more to be written on David Hicks's influence on design in general and carpets in particular, but everything in the shop is beautiful—a delight to the eye, and well worth a detour, as the guidebooks say.

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What turned out to be the heaviest traffic in the whole of the carpet world (a year's wear in seven months) started out as one of those light hearted notions that everyone laughed heartily at and then said "Why not?" Carpets in London buses for jubilee year? What a daft idea, let's do it. And so the International Wool Secretariat and London Transport got together and laid 100 per cent pure new wool carpets straight onto the upper and lower decks of 25 Silver Jubilee buses, with no effete nonsense like underfelt. It was heavy contract Wilton, 54oz of wool to the square yard from Thomson Shepherd of Dundee, the sort of thing that goes in hotel lobbies and restaurants, and a quarter of a million people in a cold wet and muddy summer tramped more than 137 lb of dirt and grit into them, not not to mention chewing gum and cigarette ash, though London Transport declare that comparatively few cigarettes were ground out on the carpets, and people actually behaved *better* in carpeted buses.

Although a regular cleaning programme had been suggested, the carpets received only minimum vacuum cleaning, and no wet cleaning at all, and yet, as Londoners will remember, while the first few feet of carpet looked pretty dire, the rest of it was not bad at all. When they got round to testing them, carpet in the entrance had almost doubled in weight with the dirt. Total immersion, tender loving care and a close inspection by the Wool Industries Research Association have revealed the carpets to be looking *almost* as good as new, and they are triumphantly on display to the world, both clean and unclean, at the Heimtex International Fair at Frankfurt this week to demonstrate that British Carpets Certainly Can Take It.

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Few people actually live in buses (though sometimes it seems that a high proportion of our waking hours is spent waiting for one or sitting or standing in one) and while the sensible people made straight for Sandersons when it came to wallpapers, it is only recently that they have entered the carpet field. To mark this occasion, the Press could be seen assembling, yawning and rubbing its eyes, at 8 am on the way to Gatwick for a day trip to Nice to look at some carpets and wallpaper (with matching fabrics). We had a marvellous time—the clear air of the autumn on the Riviera being exactly right for the appreciation of subtle shades and colourings, added to a delicious lunch, after which the culture vultures in the party (*House and Garden*, *The Guardian*, *The Times*) went straight off to the Fondation Maeght and then to a swift trip through St Paul de Vence, and on a bar's back we did *not* fly straight home to Gatwick, we sat for an hour and a half on the plane in Nice waiting for air traffic controllers to get back to concerning themselves with us. Fortunately I never travel without a square yard of tapestry (with a spare needle) as an antidote to boredom, and Corinna Wildman, sitting next to me, finished reading two or three books, but we enjoyed it.

Back home in Berners Street, the carpets still look good—21 plain colours, from Antique white to Peat brown, 80 per cent wool, 20 per cent nylon, Super Hostess for heavy domestic use, Hostess, which is lighter, but has the same 21 colours (Super Hostess from £9.50 per square yard, £11 per square metre, Hostess £8.50, £10, not including VAT). The Citation range of carpets is after William Morris—Jasmine an adaptation of a Morris design in three colourways, jade/gold, shades of fawn, or coral/beige, and Poppy (shown here) is Art Nouveau in brown/beige or gold shades. There is also Patchwork, which contains varied Morris designs in hexagonal shapes, and Golden Lily, originally designed by a pupil of Morris, J. H. Dearle. I'm in two (or even three) minds about the Citation carpets. While I like the idea, I found the effect rather busy and fussy—but that is a personal opinion, and you might feel quite differently. Citation is from £15 per square yard, £17 per square metre, exclusive of VAT.

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How busy is a carpet? I'm sure this is a matter of taste. I was absolutely horrified to discover in my church which is new and modern, the wall behind the altar painted scarlet, with black and white tiles in the sanctuary, that someone had had the bright idea of slapping a thick carpet in an elaborate design of gold, green, cream and pink over half the black and white tiles, just in time for the Cardinal's visit. Everyone loves it but me, and I find it horribly distracting and may even take to attending in dark glasses. On the other hand, when I winced (visibly) at a carpet in a trade show, they said apologetically that this colouring, which was ferocious enough to grab you by the ankles and devour you from the feet up, had been a special order for a large pub, and an adaptation of a perfectly acceptable and pleasant design shown right next to it. There's a thesis to be written on the aims, purposes and aspects of carpets in pubs.

At a show for Munster Carpets, the effect was exactly the opposite—Irish charm (and possibly Irish coffee) took us smoothly through 100 per cent wool carpets from Cork in soothing natural colours with Irish names like Achill Brown, Tory Beige, Valentia Grey, and in every colour combination and quality you can imagine. At the moment Munster Carpets are for contract use only and the public cannot buy them direct, but if, dear reader, you happen to be a bank or an insurance company or an embassy or an institution, they may be reached at Grange, Douglas, Cork, Ireland, or at their showroom in London at 86 Plashet Grove, East Ham, E6.

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There is a new emphasis on custom-made carpets—any colour, any size, any design. Gilt Edge Carpets at 14-15 Berners Street, W1, are prepared to provide a service of bespoke carpet and special rug making. Here shown is a splendidly sculptured rug in shades of brown, beige, cream and white, and a corner of Cecil Gee's new shop in Sloane Street, with the initialled carpet in four sections which has been specially made, a commission following on an order for carpets for Nigel Gee's own flat. Many of these rugs are designed as wall hangings—and all are made from 100 per cent wool, and the shearing (of the carpets) is done by hand. Prices, seeing that every piece is an individual order, range from £350 upwards.

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If your carpet is so beautiful that you feel you must hang it on the wall rather than put it on the floor, you are still stuck for a floor covering. On, then, to Afia, in Baker Street, where David and Judith Afia absolutely love *Times* readers, who formed an orderly, friendly queue round to Crawford Street after the mention of their sale in Sheila Black's Shoparound. The queue was helpful and polite to one another, and though it was a heavy day in the shop, no one got killed in the rush. Not only do they have a very nice and inexpensive cord at £2.65 a yard, but they will have, in about a month's time from China some rice paper carpet—it looks like matting, and no, you can't eat it though the sample looked deliciously crunchy and that will be £3.25 a square yard. There are some exciting developments in carpet design and Afia is as ever, right in the forefront. A new designer for them is Manuel Canovas, from France, with some lovely designs which include St Patrick (shown here white shamrock on blue) at 70cm wide, £38 per linear metre. There was an enchanting one called Arcadie, with funny little birds in pink and green. Other carpets, which can be produced in any colour, include the black flowers on white ground shown here (Flower, 70cm wide, £42 per linear metre)—there is quite a lot of black about in the new carpets—and a nice fat Victorian rose, cream on a green ground at £18.25 a linear yard, 27in wide, which you may have in five different colours. As a very special order they picked out the design of a curtain border and incorporated it as a border for a plain carpet—£150 for the design only, then you start paying for the carpet! There's the biggest, most Berber of Berber carpets, which looks like the beach at Brighton, at £65 the metre ("Millionaire's carpet" says David Afia). And what do they have in their own home? Plain Wilton. But they do experiment with carpets in the guest room.

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For those of us who are beginning, it's straight round to Habitat—starting out with the old standby Panama, broadloom coir approximately four metres wide, latex backed, and £4.35 a square metre. On top of that you may fling the Indian rugs—in particular the striped Haseena durries, 41in x 71in, handwoven in cotton, and the two new designs t had this year, the Temple border, wh is a two-tone rug, with a light shade blue, red, tan or green in the mid bordered by a darker shade, 53in x 7 at £17.95, 71in x 88in, at £29.95. T have lots of natural coloured rush m sisal rugs in cream and other delecte things in stock, and on the way fi India, subject to all the perils that s lock mentioned ("Ships are but boa sailors but men: there be land-rats water-rats, land-thieves and water-thie —I mean pirates—and then there is peril of waters, winds and rocks") to mention Customs delays, dock stri and the like, there are some attrac new additions. One is the Ranji du in stripes of cream, red and black (90 195 cms) at £4.95, and a new type durrie which is made entirely of at £10.95 (110cm by 200cm) one in bei maroon/orange stripe and one in oli red/purple/beige—there is a diam pattern down the sides and a large mond in the middle. There will b new wool/cotton drugget at £30.50 brown/tan/olive (150cm by 225c and two new mats, the Chatai, a gr mat, 4ft x 6ft 5in, bordered, with bo edges, which rolls up and ties so it be used as a beach mat at £2.95, an new one which they simply call "folding grass mat" which folds into centre and then rolls, in multi-colou stripes, 30in long, 6ft wide, at £3 *With luck*, say Habitat, nervously cr ing all their fingers, they should be the shops in mid February.

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A chance visit to the gallery of Gim Fils in Davies Street produced a hap surprise. I *have* seen (or I think I ha in a book on the decorative arts of 1930s, a rug designed by Francis Ba (*no, nothing like*—stepping on to a des by this artist in his present vein is rea rather a horrid thought) but at Gim Fils was an exhibition of wool tapestri on the hand-booked rug princip designed by Alan Davie. Fish Flag, sho here (at £1,600) is an extremely jo piece, and I am only sorry that an ind trial dispute comparable in complex and mystification to the argument goi on over a century or so (sixth to sevent between the Monotheletes and Monoph ites prevents us from showing you ill trations in colour. Pink, blue, red—a yellow shines out from these cheer tapestries (or rugs) each in a sm edition of eight. I find hooked rugs kits and sets generally very dull a expensive, and look forward to the d when a designer does for the hooked r kit what Anna Pearson and others ha done for the tapestry kit. Will someo please contact Alan Davie?

Some years ago, while listening to macabre tale of family life (the resusci tion of a comatose and much lov hamster by putting under a very low gril my sister in law and I cast our eyes do in horror and discovered we were looki at a marvellous hand hooked rug. Ma by Jean Dyott, who has now gone on greater things with woven rugs, we we both struck by the design (Jean's ow and the colour's she used. My sister in la is now deep into hooked rugs, and th both get their rug wool from a carp factory in Durham, at approximately 6 a lb, and it comes in skeins or in spool 85 per cent wool, 15 per cent nylon. Yo can't get a shade card, but they both se up samples of wool, or bits of paper, pieces from paint shade cards and hav been very satisfied with the results. Te square feet takes about 5 lb, which is hearth rug of about 2ft 3in by 4ft, an at this size you can wash it in the ba and spin it—it does wash very well, bu anything bigger is very heavy when we Ask for self coloured throums with you colour samples from Hugh Mackay, P Box 1, Durham, and remember tha postage is also payable. One of these days I, too, will start on rugs—my eldes brother, when in the Merchant Navy, use to while away the hours when othe people were drinking or fighting or doing something more useful in making some extremely complicated rugs. It is perfectly ambidextrous activity if you wis to press all hands into re-covering the sitting room floor. You can take a look at Alan Davie (the exhibition ends on January 28th) or try something simple and subtle by Mondrian—the Tate has a nice one called "Composition in Grey Red, Yellow and Blue".

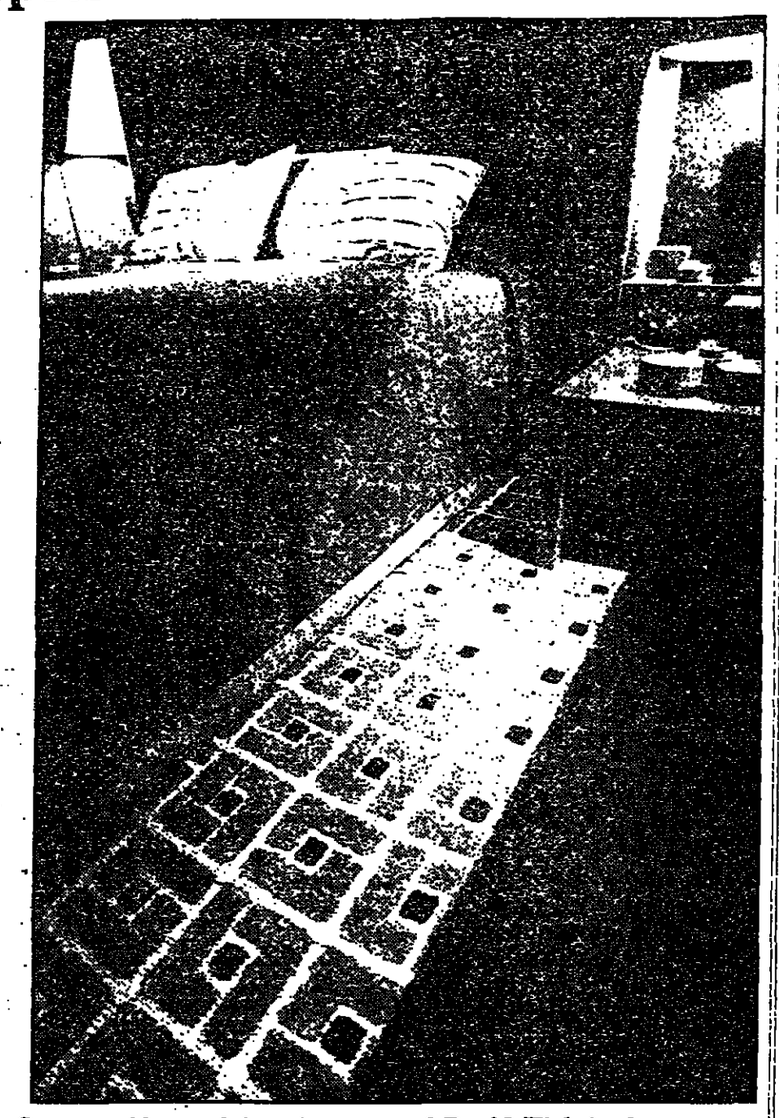
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You can also knit your own Aran rug—Sirdar have a leaflet for three Aran patterns and a pack with enough wool for one, plus the needles and the pattern cost me £4.40 at my local wool shop, and you can wash this one, too. Or, of course, you can shoot your own rug. Ion Trewin, holed up in his Norfolk Cottage over the holiday, discovered a butcher who deals in whole sheep for the freezer, and has gone into the sheepskin rug business as a sideline. You can always tell a real sheep skin, he says, because, if stroked, it doesn't moult—if any hair comes away, it's a goat in sheep's clothing. Properly treated the sheep skin can also be put in the washing machine, and should be lightly stretched when removed, from £11 each. In Hackney I bought my own tiger rug—30in x 58in in man-made fibre, rubber backed (no need for any Society for the Preservation of the Tiger to worry) for £12. "Don't see these often", said the cheerful Irishman, of my cheque. Access cards, my neighbour tells me, are also bad news in Hackney, too many of them about and not always belonging to the right people. So I rolled up the tiger and carried it home, remembering the splendid people in the rug department of Liberty, who made a parcel for me of a rug 6ft by 9ft without turning the proverbial hair, with a string handle, and I hopped on a bus with it—I sat, it stood. The tiger rug is generally available, and the Irishman had had a delivery of 50, of which one was a *white* tiger—as in nature, the tiger colour had missed it. If you do not wish to sin, like Elinor Glyn (or rather, like the heroine of *Three Weeks*) on a tiger skin, and prefer to err on some other fur, Sanderson's had a square of leopard by the yard in their sale, 6ft by 4ft, at £35.

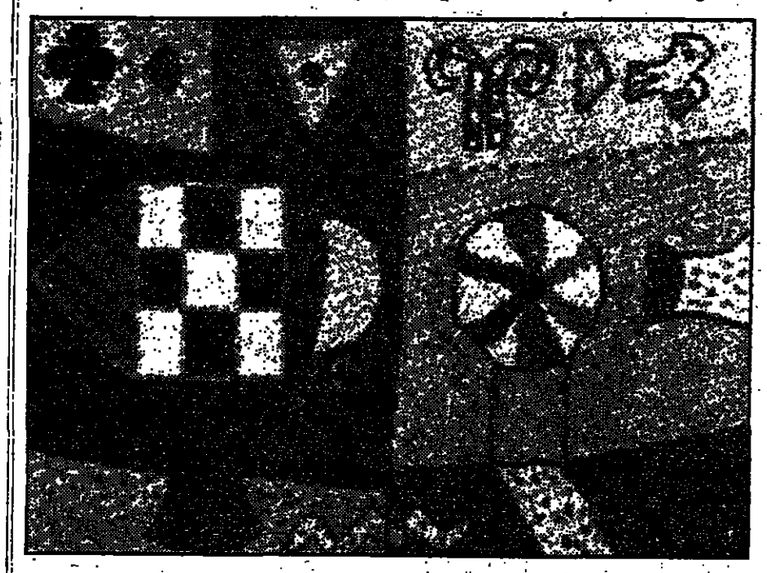
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A good carpet is a joy, perhaps not forever, but for a very long time; so it is worth choosing carefully. That carpet in my church, for example is obviously going to last, tracked over by little boys dripping candles, until the Last Trump. We certainly can't take it with us where we hope we are going, as I am reliably informed there is no need for quite a lot of things, including carpets. We are going to have to get used to a sea of glass, and I certainly hope it is non-skid.





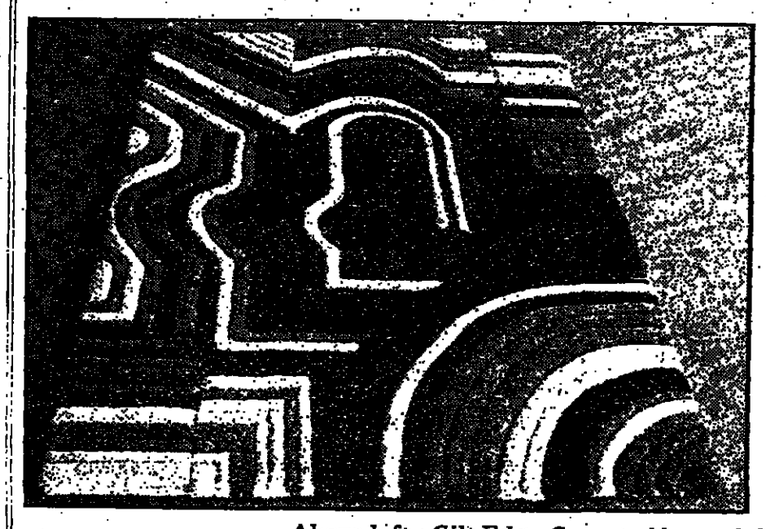
Above left: Doris the sheep (100 per cent wool) with Jubilee Carpet. Above right: A corner of David Hicks's show room.

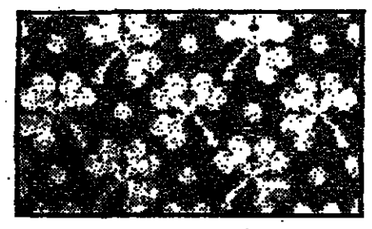




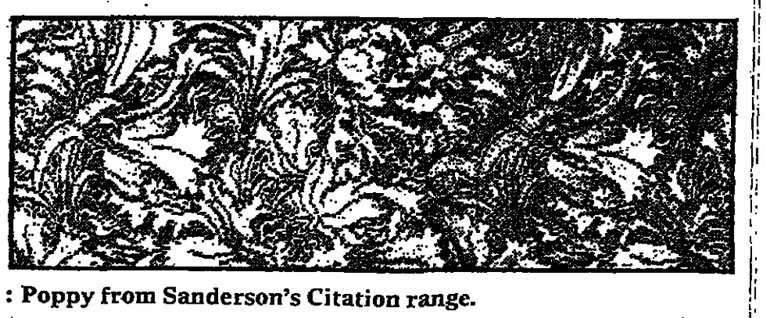
Above: Cecil Gee shop, with Gilt Edge Carpet.
Left: Fish Flag, by Alan Davie.

Below: St Patrick (left) and Flower, from Afia.









Above left: Gilt Edge Carpet. Above right: Poppy from Sanderson's Citation range.

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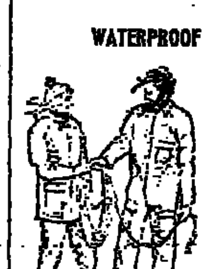


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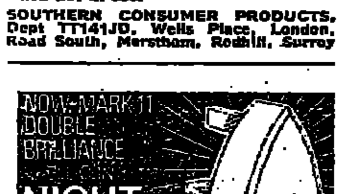
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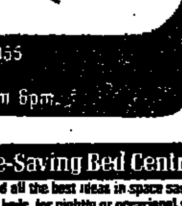


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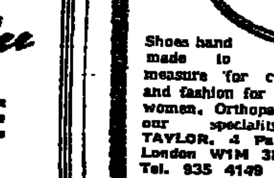
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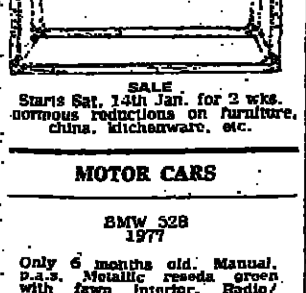
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BIRTHS

BURTON.—On January 9th, to Anne and Michael—a daughter, Abigail Margaret, sister for Eleanor, Alexander, Clare and Thomas.

DURAN.—On January 9th, 1978, to Pia (nee Bowlby) and Carlos—a daughter, Xulia Tareixa.

EWART.—On January 12th, 1978, at the Simpson Memorial Maternity Pavilion, Edinburgh, to Sally and Neil—a son.

HILL.—On December 23rd, at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, to Liz (nee Cowper Johnson) and George—a daughter (Rachel Elizabeth Cowper), a sister for Jesse.

LITTLE.—On January 3rd, to Ken Little and Marion Allinson—a son (Ewan Matthew Watson Little).

MacDONALD.—On Wednesday, January 11th, at Kingston Hospital, to Wendy and Alastair—a son, Oliver.

McMICKING.—On 12th January, 1978, in Edinburgh, to Janetta and David—a daughter.

MILNER.—On 12th January, at Jersey Maternity Hospital, to Peter and Sylvia (nee Kellock)—a daughter.

PASCALL.—On January 8th, at Nottingham, to Gillian (nee Gregory) and Robert—a daughter.

ROBERTSON.—On January 10 at Aberdeen Maternity Hospital, Foresterhill to Katherine (nee Coleridge) and Alastair—a son.

ROSS.—On January 12th, to Jacqueline (nee Nahoum) and Douglas, in Geneva—a son (Julius Andrew).

SHAW.—On January 11, 1978, to Patricia, wife of Graham, of "The Anchorage", Croft, Darlington—a daughter.

WATES.—On January 13th, at the American Hospital, Paris, to Carol (nee Derby) and John—a son (Mark Norman).

BIRTHDAYS

CONRAD BORYS 80 tomorrow, elder son of the author Joseph Conrad.

MARRIAGES

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

HUSSELL : BERRIDGE.—On Saturday, January 14th, 1928, at Saint Agnes Church, Port Talbot, Thomas Stacey Hussell and Gladys May Berridge. Address throughout: 21 Connaught St., Port Talbot, W. Glam.

DEATHS

BAIRNSFATHER. — At Roodlands Hospital, Haddington, East Lothian, on 11th January, 1978, Robert Miller Parnham, late of Dalgony Cottage, Longniddry (formerly commissioner in the Chinese custom service), only son of the late Lt.-Col. P. R. Bairnsfather.

BARKER.—On Thursday, January 12th, 1978, peacefully in London, Jessie Kiru, much loved and very loving wife of the late Dr. Frederick Barker; mother of John and Tony. Funeral and Requiem Mass at St. Pancras Church, Euston Road, on Wednesday, January 18th at 2 p.m. Family flowers only but donations, if desired, to the Paediatric Unit, University College Hospital, Gower Street, London, W.C.1.—R.I.P.

BATES.—On January 11th, peacefully in hospital, Michael, beloved husband of Maggie, father of Rupert, Camilla and Jolyon. Service at All Hallows Church, Chertsey Road, Twickenham, on January 19th, at 11.15 a.m., followed by private cremation. Donations, if desired, to cancer research.

BRETT.—On Jan. 12th, at Cromer Hospital, Florence Rollo, of Janmaren, Cromer Rd., West Runton, formerly of Birkhampstead, Herts. A dearly loved husband, father, grandfather and brother. Cremation St. Faiths Crematorium, Norwich, on Tuesday, Jan 17th, at 2 p.m. No flowers please. Donations if desired for the Cromer Hospital Fund, c/o Fox's Funeral Service, 10 Canada Rd., Cromer, Norfolk.

CRAWFURD-PRICE.—On 10th January, 1978, in Guernsey, Joan, beloved wife of Melville and mother of Beverley. Funeral at Notre Dame.

DARCY/BINGHAM, William Claude, (Bing) Capt ODG Retd.—Age 79 years. Passed peacefully away Friday 6th January 1978 after long illness patiently borne. Cremated January 11th 1978. Sadly missed by wife Elsie and all the family.

FAHY.—On 11th January, 1978, at her home in Cambridge, Monica Rosa, widow of Dermot, beloved mother and grandmother. R.I.P. Requiem Mass at St. Lawrence's, Milton Rd., Cambridge, at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 18th January.

HESS.—On Tuesday, 10th January, 1978, Adolphe, peacefully, in St. Bartholomew's Hospital, in the early hours. Founded B. H. Corner Gallery and The Berthe Hess Museum. Loved and deeply mourned by his wife Berthe and his daughter Mauricette. Burial at Golders Green Jewish Cemetery, Hoop Lane, N.W.11, on Sunday, 22nd January, at 2 p.m. Cut flowers if desired.

HORSLEY.—On 11th January, 1978, Tom Mason, of 58, Highbury, Newcastle upon Tyne, loved husband of Mildred father of John and David and elder son of the late Henry and Margaret. Service at St. John's Church, [illegible] on Tuesday 17th January, at 10 a.m., followed by private cremation. No flowers, please.

HUSLIN. On Jan. 12th, 1978, peacefully, at St. Augustine's Nursing Home, St. Leonard's-on-Sea, Hilda Winifred, wife of the late Edward Scotton Huslin. Cremation Hastings crematorium, Wednesday, 18th January, 12 noon. No flowers, by request, but donations to charities.

HUNLOKE.—On Friday, 13th January, 1978, Henry Philip Hunloke, T.D., after a long illness. Beloved husband of Ruth and father of Philippa, Timothy, Nicholas and Sarah. Family funeral at St. Catherine's Church, Bearwood, Wokingham, on Wednesday, 18th January, at 12 noon. Flowers to Thomas Free & Sons, 22 Salisbury Rd., Marlborough, Wiltshire. Marlborough 52110.

KENNEDY.—On January 10th, 1978, in a Woking nursing home, Olive Eileen Kennedy, in her 89th year, formerly of Lancing, Sussex. Daughter of the late Mr and Mrs. Jack Kennedy, of Kildare. Funeral service at Brookwood Cemetery, Woking, on Friday, January 20th at 2.30. Flowers and enquiries to Woking Funeral Services, 113 Goldsworth Road, Woking. Telephone 61754.

MOKE.—On Jan. 12th, suddenly, in a car accident in the Isle of Man, O.H.O., formerly of Ben's Folly, Burghfield Common, Berks. To the inexpressible grief of Joyce and Ben.

OLIVER.—On January 12th, 1978, Gabrielle Cornelia, of 38 Crown St., Bury St. Edmunds, widow of Geoffrey Morgan Oliver and mother of Laver, Stefan and the late Fenella. Requiem Mass at St. Edmunds Church, Bury St. Edmunds, on Thursday, 19th January, at 11.30 a.m. Flowers may be sent to L. Fulcher Ltd., 10, Whiting St., Bury St. Edmunds: by 10 a.m., please.

PERRY.—On January 12th, 1978, peacefully, after a short illness, Evelyn Blanche (Tilly), of Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay, dearly loved wife of Archie, mother of John and Pat and grandmother of James and Andrew. Funeral service at Torquay Crematorium on Tuesday, January 17th, at 12 noon. Family flowers only, please.

SEAGER BERRY.—On 12th Jan., very peacefully, at his home, Ladywood, Worth near Crawley, Sussex, Thomas Geoffrey Seager Berry, C.B.E. much loved husband of Ann Josephine, father of Josephine, Thomas and George, grandfather of Neil, Kirsty and William. Funeral service Turners Hill Parish Church, at 3.30 p.m., Monday, 16th Jan., followed by private cremation. No flowers but donations may be sent to Royal Marsden Hospital, Fulham Road, S.W.6, for Cancer Research. Memorial Service later in London.

SESSIONS HODGE.—On 13 Jan., peacefully, at home, Grace Emmeline, widow of Dr. Rae Sessions Hodge, beloved stepmother of Peter, Jonathan and Martin, and sister of Margaret Neal Edwards, William Keith and Ernest Neal. Cremation private. Memorial service at Milverton Parish Church, near Taunton, on Tuesday, 17 Jan., at 2.30 p.m. Flowers to the Church.

TAYLOR.—On Thursday, 5th January, John Martyn suddenly, aged 40, previously of Hemel Hempstead, late of 26 School Lane, Middle Littleton, near Evesham, Worcestershire. Husband of Pauline; father of Andrew, Philip and Tracey. Funeral service at St. Mary's, Middle Littleton, on Tuesday, 17th January, at 1.15 p.m., followed by private cremation.

THORNTON.—On January 12th, 1978, Colonel Thomas Anson, C.V.O., D.L., of Brockhall, Northamptonshire, late The Queen's Own Hussars in his 92nd year. Cremation private, memorial service at Brockhall to be announced later.

WALTERS.—On 11th January, 1978, peacefully, at home, Captain Hugh Greaves Walters, D.S.C., R.N., aged 70. Funeral at St. Peter's, Slinfold, on Thursday, 19th January, at 3.15 p.m. Family flowers only, or donations to British Heart Foundation, please.

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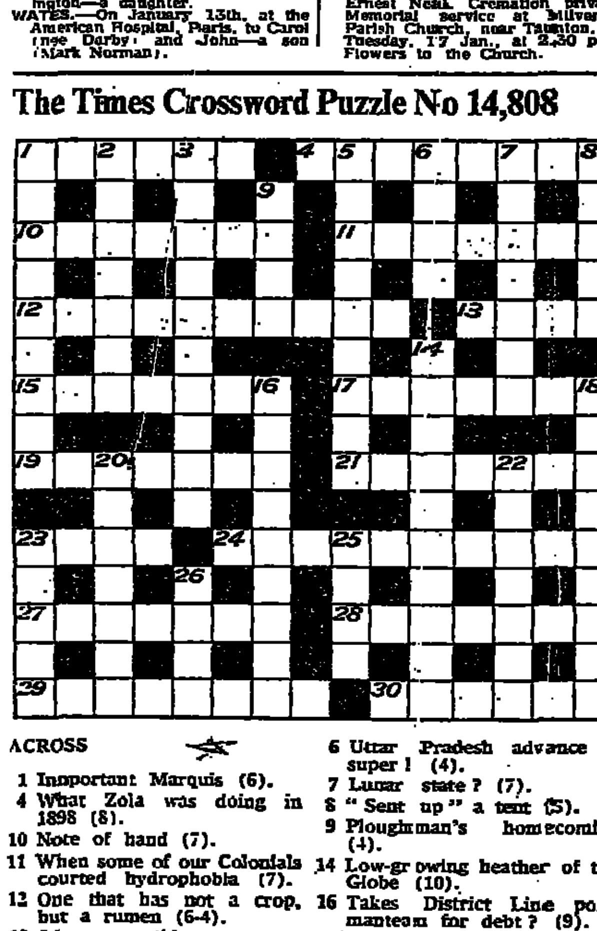
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The Times Crossword Puzzle No 14,808



ACROSS

1 Important Marquis (6).
4 What Zola was doing in 1898 (8).
10 Note of hand (7).
11 When some of our Colonials courted hydrophobia (7).
12 One that has not a crop, but a rumen (6-4).
13 It's a worthless common rod (4).
15 Decm Ned could be corrected (7).
17 No outcome of these raids ? (7).
19 Old Bury uprising (7).
21 Strode from the wicket (7).
23 Small-change FM (4).
24 Unfounded as instant coffee (10).
27 Swordsman's strange setback in the wilds of Asia (7).
28 State of orphaned Emma, I reckon (7).
29 Beast that could have prevented the Fall ? (8).
30 Takes in Nebuchadnezzar to dine ? (6).

DOWN

1 Incline calves as to golden calf (9).
2 Table is transformed by a flower (7).
3 Lavengro's dip in the Lakes (10).
5 Goodbye sire all of a heap (9).
6 Uttar Pradesh advance is super ! (4).
7 Lunar state ? (7).
8 "Sent up" a tent (5).
9 Ploughman's homecoming (4).
14 Low-growing heather of the Globe (10).
16 Takes District Line portmanteau for debt ? (9).
18 Crowded dance-floor dodges (4-5).
20 Demagogue, one of the gang ? (7).
22 Salesman in foreign country settles in advance (7).
23 Twigs about the sweepstake (5).
25 American edition, not a new one (4).
26 On which Florence confounded Nora ? (4).

The solution of Puzzle No 14,807 will appear on Wednesday, January 18





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